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Ottawa, Week by Week

By DEAN WILSON

Contemplated Plans

The chairman of the advisory committee on health insurance, Department of Pensions and National Health, Dr. J. J. Heagerty has revealed that the present plans of the contemplated national health bill have aimed to allow its administration to be under the direction of the province, with the remark that in the British North America Act the Federal Government has no jurisdiction in this field of medical care or health, and the cost of its services to be paid by the Federal Government, which would provide per capita and other grants, the provinces, the employers, and those receiving its benefits, if they will be able to do so under the circumstances or nothing if unable to pay. He stressed that it will not be merely a health insurance scheme but rather that it will be aimed to be a national health plan, pointing out the absolute need in Canada for such public health provision or national care, including facts to show that in one year about 5,000 people have died in this country from tuberculosis, that is in a single year, that in one year there had been about 51,000 mentally sick people in this nation, and that venereal disease had been too great in this country in comparison with conditions in other nations having been reported – for example, to have been about ten times as great here as in Sweden. In regard to public health, another expert has shown that in Canada with a population of about eleven and a half million and with its vast natural resources, this country was eleventh in rank in respect to low death rates amongst the nations of the world; that there were about 250,000 victims of tuberculosis in this country, and that sickness, it has been estimated, had cost Canada about $300,000,000 a year, with the possibility that about half of this amount could have been saved by proper public health measures or methods.

Undercurrent of Criticism

When the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation denied the use of its nation-wide network to broadcast an address by the leader of the Progressive-Conservative party, Hon. John Bracken, on account of its provisions against political talks, this action did not appear to arouse nothing more than loud criticism on the surface, but ever since this occurrence there has been a terrific undercurrent of sharp, critical fault-finding with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's action, because Ministers of the King Cabinet as well as others of an official nature have had opportunities for the use of the nation-wide network of the CBC to broadcast various talks in support of the Government's course of conduct. Moreover, there has been a growing and extensive resentment behind the scenes against the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation on account of the long prolongation or hesitation to carry out a reorganization of the set-up and management of this public body.

No Real Surpluses

There have been reports in Ottawa that certain war industries, such as cargo shipbuilding, explosive's production, etc., may involve changes shortly which may decrease the labor requirements in these enterprises. However, it must be stated that these moves will not mean that the labor market will be eased, nor that labor shortages will not exist any longer since these have been due to particular conditions in these industries as well as to changes of plans, with the result that there will be no real surpluses or excess of labor in Canada as demands for labor in other industries or purposes have been greater than ever, and surpluses of labor will be easily absorbed.

Farmers and Their Returns

It has been significant that plans to abolish bonus payments for the discontinuation of wheat acreage and the bonus allowed for coarse grains have been made it has been claimed as propositions aimed to help the farmers to decide for themselves how to obtain the best possible returns in cash for their efforts, with a gentle hint having been given farmers may benefit most by devoting more and more time and energy to the production of live-stock, though others have insinuated that wheat may provide good revenue for those who grow it.

Looking Ahead

When this World War II will end, tourist traffic in Canada will be sought even more in future than in the past. Evidence of this can be seen now in the nation's capital, in face of the war as a long-range view of this traffic is taken. There are good reasons for such thoughts, since prior to the outbreak of World War II tourist traffic in Canada provided the greater part of this country's favourable balance of credit on international payments, with one year alone (1938) this credit balance in Canada's favour having been $184,800,000, and the tourist trade showed a favourable balance of $145,000,000.

Aftermath of a Dramatic Event

Though the recent strike of the police and firemen of Canada's largest city, Montreal, had been settled rather quickly, yet this dramatic event has left a very deep concern backstage along Parliament Hill, because in the settlement recognition had been given to the formation of a union amongst these most essential public protective services, with this union having been connected with the Canadian Congress of Labor, which has been associated rather closely with the C.C.F. party. In other words, the formation of such a union has been looked upon by some as not in the same light as that of any other labor organization, and there has been concern what this may have effect, particularly since aftermaths may result and other similar firm demands or strong pressures for higher wages or other conditions may follow across the country, with a story indicating that it has already been predicted that the policemen and firemen of the nation's capital itself, Ottawa, will receive an increase in salary shortly.

Thanks!

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With CBC Overseas

F. H. Wadsworth, of the CBC engineering division, has returned to Britain following a furlough in Ottawa. He is attached to the CBC's Overseas unit in London. Mr. Wadsworth is the CBC technician who flew in a recent Rhur bombing trip over enemy territory.

Delia School District

The annual meeting of the electors and ratepayers of Delia School District was held in the schoolhouse on Monday, 17th inst. There were 23 present. Rev. T. Taylor was elected chairman of the meeting. Minutes of the last annual meeting were read. Following statements were submitted : Teachers, trustees, secretary, treasurer, and auditor's report.

There were two contestants for the one vacancy on the School Board—viz., Mrs. Murray and Mr. Ken. Harcus. The latter was elected trustee for three years by a majority of 10 votes, as follows :—

Mrs. Murray 17
Ken. Harcus 27

Delia Public and High School Christmas Concert

Receipts from Christmas Concert held in Olympia Theatre, Delia, on December 17th :

EXPENDITURE	
Tree	$ 5 00
Hall Rent	5 00
Lights	50
Light Bulbs	50
Decorations	50
Netting	1 50
Peanuts	2 30
Apples	3 50
Oranges	3 15
Candy	3 25
Total	$29 80
Balance	$16 75

Hockey

Delia senior hockey team travelled to Hanna last week and played a friendly game with the local team. Delia opened the scoring, and at the end of the first period the score stood 3—2 in favor of Delia. In the second period the game was tied by a score of 4—4.

In the last period only one goal was scored, per Bert Marshall for Delia. Final score ; 5—4, in favor of Delia.

Refunds Would Cut Fees

Last week, representatives of the province met in Ottawa to discuss compensation for the loss of liquor revenues, due to federal government restrictions.

Officials of the Alberta Motor Association point out that this should have been a good opportunity to discuss the question of compensation by the dominion on account of lower motor car revenues. The province has stated that as soon as such compensation is received from Ottawa, it will be passed along to the motor car licensee.

The A.M.A. is continuing the fight for lower motor license fees. Similar action to bring about a reduction has been taken by the automobile men in British Columbia. Other provinces are moving in the same direction.

There is no question but that provincial governments face the need of lowering license fees in 1944. Consideration has been promised by the Alberta government when the estimates for the next year are received.

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The Health League of Canada

111 Avenue Road, Toronto, Ont.

There's Health in the Air

Welcome news to Canadian householders anxious to conserve fuel this winter is the fact that one does not have to be a "fresh air fiend" to be healthy.

It isn't necessary to expose ourselves to winter air at the mere sight of a window. Points out the Health League's Industrial Division.

What's more important, according to ventilation experts, is clean air at the right temperature and humidity. Here's what they mean. Air may be a cause of infection (cold germs can't live) or feel (through the skin) an infected (sore or throat), irritating gases from improperly fitted fuel may be carried in the

The air is recognized by scientists as a possible cause of dust and pollens. These may fever, asthma and other conditions, but harmful effects of good ventilation are not due to breathed-out products as carbon dioxide. Authorities say that carbon dioxide is essential to the function of breathing. Poor ventilation harms health and comfort by of motion in the air, by humidity or excess humidity, by improper temperature and by irritating gases.

Good ventilation depends upon proper control of air, moisture and window ventilation. A daytime temperature of 65° to 70° degrees is recommended, 5° to 10° lower at night. A humidifier in the home is an aid to health and comfort. Portable units come in different sizes and at various prices. These blow moisture into the air, helping to clean and circulate it. Keep your furnace clean and free from soot. Have it checked for efficiency by a qualified expert. (Your coal dealer probably offers this checking service free of charge). Close all cracks and leaks. See that the base of the furnace smokepipe pipe are

Remember! Insist on safe and sudden changes in temperature lower resistance to such infections as colds. Watch out for fumes from your furnace. Avoid over-heating your house.

Nuts by the Million But Not For Table

Maintaining 30,500 miles of track throughout the Canadian National System is a sizable task and requires a working force of 12,634 sectionmen to carry out this important job. For this trackage, about 37,500,000 nuts and bolts are required to fasten splice bars at track joints, and sectionmen devote at least one day of each month to tightening these bolts. When new rail is laid, these workers thoroughly oil all fastenings at the joints to keep them from "freezing", which means to prevent corroding and to make for easy servicing throughout the life of the rail. In addition, all splice bars and fastenings receive an oil bath once or twice a year.

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The War Against Japan

THE RECENT CAIRO CONFERENCE, at which Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek conferred with Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt, resulted in the clarification of Allied aims in the war against Japan. The statement issued at the conclusion of the conference, pledging the Allies to bring about the complete extermination of the Japanese Empire, is an answer to critics who from time to time have suggested that the greater part of our force is directed against Germany, and that when the war in Europe has ended, there might be a slackening in the effort to continue the war against Japan. The terms agreed to at the conference are also most heartening to the people of China, and to those in the many territories in the Pacific which have been seized by the Japanese. The pledges of the three leaders at the Cairo Conference have given promise for an entirely new era in the Orient, and one in which the fear of Japanese aggression will be removed forever.

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Admiration For Chinese People

There is general admiration for the people of China, who have so steadfastly resisted the Japanese invaders. For a considerable time they fought alone, and even after Britain and the United States became their allies, geographical difficulties have made it impossible to assist them effectively with supplies and equipment. The plight of the Chinese people at this time is grave. Dr. T. F. Tsiang, the Chinese delegate to the recent United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Conference, reported that of China's normal population of 270,000,000, Japan holds 200,000,000, and there are many thousands of refugees. The long war, which commenced in 1937, has also brought to China serious economic difficulties. Lack of imports has caused prices to rise, and this increase has in some cases gone as high as 120 times the normal level. In addition, Japanese propaganda has been used to undermine Chinese morale wherever possible, and the declaration of Allied aims in the Pacific is of great importance to China at this time.

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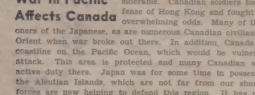
War In Pacific Affects Canada

Canada's concern in the war against Japan is considerable. Canadian soldiers took part in the defence of Hong Kong, and many of them fell into the hands of the overwhelming odds. Many of them are now prisoners of the Japanese, as are numerous Canadian civilians who were in the Orient when war broke out in Pacific. In addition, Canada has an extensive coastline on the Pacific Ocean, which would be vulnerable to Japanese attack. This area is protected and many Canadian servicemen are on active duty there. Japan was for some time in possession of several of the Aleutian Islands, which are not far from our shores, and Canadian forces are now helping to defend this region. It has recently been suggested that bases on our West Coast might be used in a large-scale offensive in the Pacific. Whatever the extent of our participation, Canadians share with the other Allies the determination to the complete destruction of the Japanese Empire and the establishment of independence and freedom in the Orient.



EATING SHOULD BE FUN!

Everyone agrees with the statement "Eating Should Be Fun", but do we try to make all our meals enjoyable? Let us consider the reason why our families do not like, and consequently do not eat, all the food we cook. First of all, you must be the judge. Are you sure that you like it? Ask yourself why are you not? Do you not follow recipes carefully, or have you not had enough experience to sup your meals with delight? Are you using only nutritious but interesting, bringing out the natural flavour of each food? Make sure of these points, for frequently if they are not eaten, it is because they are not correctly prepared. This could be the reason for the low intake of the "B" Vitamins. Start serving them whole-grain cereal, which is a delightful part of a breakfast. Use only whole-grain flour. Canada approved bread (white or brown), or better still, whole-wheat bread. Their intake of Vitamin "C" should be at least one serving each day with a serving of orange, grapefruit, or tomato? You should. The most unpopular type of food is usually vegetables. The dislike for vegetables may be due to carelessness in cooking. Overcooking, which destroys children's meals, the use of a little salt (iodized for inland areas) is recommended. Try one of these combinations for the next time you are cooking vegetables and want them to be eaten with gusto— The addition of lemon juice or vinegar to green (spinach, cabbage, beet tops); cheese sauce on bland vegetables (cauliflower, celery, potatoes); Onion or mushroom sauce for interesting flavours to sauces for vegetables. Pickles, relishes, catsup, chili sauce and mustard all help to make ordinary foods extra appetizing. But they should not be used too often. Vegetables have various degrees of flavour—bland, savory, strong and mild. Try these and see how you can add your family's appetite will be sharpened. Never use a sweet food at the beginning of a meal as it dulls the appetite.

After you have chosen the right flavoured food, you must consider the texture and shape of the food served. You should serve at least one crunchy or chewy food with each meal—celery to nibble on, raw carrot strips, apple or cabbage salad. Have only one creamed food and one sauce or gravy.

Do not present everything in the same shape. A plate consisting of creamed potatoes, mashed turnip, and a mushy stew is not at all inviting as one containing baked potato, mashed turnip, cold slaw, and a square of meat loaf.

You will find in serving a three-course meal that a contrast will make it more interesting. Compare these two—a cold first course (tomato cocktail), a hot main course, and a cold dessert (fruit jelly); or a cold first, a main course, and steamed pudding. You will agree that the first meal is more appealing.

Last, but by no means the least important, is colour contrast. Since our meals must have eye-appeal as well as taste-appeal, a pleasing colour plan helps to make good food more appealing. As you know, the fruit and vegetables rich in colour are usually those highest in Vitamins and Minerals. You may combine white, green, yellow and red vegetables together with a pleasing effect. Two red vegetables rarely look well together. Remember, do not have an all-white or colourless plate. If you do, you are attacking your problem of making eating fun, with a handicap. When you are planning your menus and you want your family to enjoy their meals, consider along with the look of the food, contrasts in flavour, texture and colour of the food, and don't forget the seasonings.

The Ideal Kitchen

Designed By Electrician Can Be Plugged In Like Radio

British women's pleas for more comfortable post-war kitchens get a promise of being answered—in the kitchen at least.

One of London's electricity authorities has designed a complete kitchen that can be plugged into a home as easily as a radio, that can be detached at unit and when a new production will be sold at a price within reach of the average household purse.

A typical unit is 10 feet long and eight feet high and includes the following equipment:

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She Knew His Voice

The Girl Who Had A Dance With Clark Gable

There is a very attractive young woman in the Air Force Intelligence Department of a Whitehall Ministry. So important are the duties of her department that she has to do her pack six times before reaching her office.

A few weeks ago she visited an American airfield in this country. On the evening there was a dance. A good-looking captain asked her for a fox trot.

"I am sure I have seen you before," the young woman said.

"I doubt it," said the captain.

"But I even know your voice," she went on.

"Surely not," replied her partner. At the end of the dance he whisked her good night, as he was going on duty. A moment of young women rushed up to her to find out what he had said. The captain was Clark Gable.

The young woman still works in the Intelligence Department, and is very efficient at her job.—London Evening Standard.

Immense quantities of gold are suspended in ocean waters but the metal is too widely diffused for profitable recovery.

Canadians Arrive In Ita

A British military policeman, left, and an American M.P., right, "check in" the first Canadian soldiers off a troop ship carrying Canadian soldiers as they disembark at an Italian port.

Calendar Of Seasons

Tries To Convince Us Exactly When Change Takes Place

When you look out the south window and see the sun staring you in the face. It's winter, and no use going to the thermometer or the calendar to prove the sun is wrong. It certainly isn't fall even though custom insists that the solstice marks winter's official entry. Fall is pretty well finished, in this latitude, by the end of November.

As a matter of fact, the equinoxes and the solstices are arbitrary limits set up by those who were more interested in quartering the year than in facing the reality of weather. Maybe a little more sunburn and chilblain and a little less eyestrain over astronomical tables would have provided a better calendar of the seasons. Why, after all, do we have to say, "Well, spring is here," in the midst of late March's sleety rain, and tuck our muffler tighter about our unbared throat? And why can't we be honestly grumpy the last week in November and say: "Yeah, the winter has already got my corns on edge," instead of shrugging it off with a bright, "Brisk autumn day, and you'll shattered out through tenth that are clicking like refrigerated castanets?

Well, there's the sun streaming directly in at the south window, and taking such a short cut toward the southwestern horizon that it will put in a scant nine-hour day, when next year-round comfort calls for twelve. Yes, it will be working overtime next July, but who wants more sun in July? Build up the fire. Put on a sweater. Pull up those 30 per cent. wool socks. And recall that a year ago this week the temperature sailed down to six below zero in this district. Oh, yes, the official temperature was only nine above. But officially it was still autumn, too.—New York Times.

SAVING COAL

The British railway companies have imposed upon themselves rationing schemes by which coal supplies for railway stations and offices are cut by 12,000 tons a year. Last year, the period for train heating was cut both in spring and autumn, with a consequent estimated saving of about 30,000 tons of coal in the year.

Ships built of concrete have been launched from a British shipyard and joined the Allied convoys in the Battle of the Atlantic.

Good Fo Animals

But Suifa Drugs Dangerous Unless They Are Used Carefully

According to recent summary compiled by veterinary authorities the various sulfa drugs which have proved a boon in wiping human lives are also saving the lives of farm animals. For example, sulfa-guanidine has been found helpful in the treatment of certain types of coccidiosis in poultry and in calf scour, and also in calf diphtheria. Sulfaguanadine is likewise being used in dealing with control infection in sheep, and in certain cases of enteritis in swine. Thesulfadrugs are still too new for all their possibilities and values to be known but there is no question but the way in veterinary science. However, the Veterinary Director General of Canada points out that sulfa drugs are not cure-alls and are dangerous and on no account must be used unless under veterinary advice and supervision.

To Ex... Peace

Belgium Might Become A Member Of The British Commonwealth

A hint that Belgium might become a member of the British Commonwealth under certain conditions has been dropped by a spokesman for the Belgian ministry of information, the Daily Sketch said.

The Sketch said one of its correspondents had asked the spokesman about a speech made in Belfast by Antonio Delfosse, Belgian justice and information minister, which favored Britain as an ensurer of peace in Europe, and the spokesman replied.

"M. Delfosse might have been referring to the possibility of Belgium entering the Commonwealth."

Delfosse had said "we Belgians are ready to sacrifice part of our sovereignty to build up the peace. We ask but one thing—to be free."

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Soldier's Handbook

Contains Much Information Which Canadian Men Will Find Useful

Into a little red book the defence department has packed the answer to a lot of the soldier's problems and a good smattering of advice on the kind of conduct which will help himself and the army of which he is a part.

It is the new "Canadian Soldier's Handbook" being issued to all troops at home and overseas. It is a neat pocket size (about four by three inches), contains 68 pages of printed matter, and has several blank pages for notes and addresses.

The book gives reasons for a lot of the things a soldier has to do but which may seem unnecessary to the young recruit, such as saluting, close order drill, neatness in dress and cleanliness.

It also states the soldier's rights and privileges, both while in the army and after discharge, and explains how he may obtain dependent's allowances, permission to marry, special or compassionate leave, and special rates on railways.

It advises him not to complain unless he has a real kick; and then to have himself paraded before his commanding officer.

"To be a cheerful grouser is the unwritten right of a soldier," the handbook says, "but a grouser is a grouser is a menace not only to others but to himself."

A few brief notes on military law — stressing the causes for which a soldier's pay may be stopped—are included. And the soldier is warned that he is at all times subject to military law and that the public expects a higher standard of conduct from a man in uniform than one in civilian clothes.

Under the heading "What Are We Fighting For?" is a brief statement of the difference between life in a free country and under a National Socialist regime like the enemy would establish.

Under "Facts About the Enemy" the soldier is told the German and the Japanese are not "pushovers" and the enemy's strict military training, starting in early youth, is stressed.

Will Show Decline

Butter Production In Canada Expected To Drop In 1944

The Dominion agriculture department said the prospects are that 1944 butter production will show a substantial decline, but that milk production will hold at the same level as in 1943.

At the recent Dominion-provincial conference on agriculture, officials of the provinces reported an enormous demand for fluid milk which has left a surplus unavailable for butter, cheese and other requirements. This demand is expected to continue in 1944.

Officials estimated the need reduced butter production, although, with the possible exception of The United Kingdom, it was the only member of the United Nations to hold its fluid milk production — 17,400,000,000 pounds—at the level of 1942. The same demand for fluid milk was developed along the lines which bring the greatest individual benefit to all the members."

"The wisdom of this judgment is beyond question," said the chairman, "worthy of emulation in any post-war policies. It has worked well in the case of large western industries to the satisfaction of employers and employees alike. Organized labour is freed of organized agitators the savings are shared by the people and appreciates a fair deal, fringed with proper consideration for human relations.

Much the same policy has been in vogue for many years among the local lumber and supply dealers throughout the province of British Columbia. There are about one thousand yards, and ninety per cent. of them are members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Assn. Throughout the organization's history it has practice the standard of co-operation and fair dealing for the good of all, as prescribed by Judge Gary, in their various communities.

Membership in the part of this general policy. In fact, it is no secret that competition between private among association members. Individual initiative and service in the field remain the chief objectives of the lumber industry. From the public point of view there is no cause for complaint. The average net profit on sales over a period of six years was only 3.07 per cent.

One clause in their constitution reads: "No rules, regulations or bylaws shall be adopted in any way limiting competition, fixing or regulating prices or profits, or establishing restrictions of trade."

No coercive measures of any kind shall be practiced or adopted by them or any retailer. That is fair enough and is practiced in community business relations.

The spirit developed among members of the association is one of constructive co-operation. That is borne out in the central architectural department. While the local shop is a mass of many parts, insofar as the interior layout of the lumber industry are concerned, he is not an expert draftsman. That requires professional skill to be of service to his customers. This problem was solved by establishing an efficient staff at central headquarters in Vancouver, supported jointly by the membership. Modern detailed plans are now available to members at nominal cost for community use of building plans.

One educational feature of the association is a training course for new members on the fundamentals of the industry. This takes the form of special studies on drafting and designing, also the most practical use of lumber according to various grades and sizes best suited for specified jobs. The final test is based on results of sixteen examination papers.

Major Community Role Played By Lumber Dealers

Review of Constructive Service Rendered in Town and Country, Aided by Technical Co-operation.

(One of a series of articles about your community lumber merchant, by F. C. Pickwell, well-known western newspaper writer.)

Every dealer must be more or less of a technician and authority on building material.

There is also one general policy among community dealers. If the credit risk in one case is misplaced that does not lead to more stringent regulations in dealing with the others. Each customer stands on his or her record, and it has been gratifying to learn that many accounts considered hopeless at one time have been cleared up during the more prosperous war years.—Thus tending to confirm one's faith in human nature.

Membership in the Western Retail Lumbermen's Assn. includes those handling lumber, builders' supplies and other material required in home and farm buildings. It is an organization that merits public confidence.

Ready To Fight

Korea Just Waiting Opportunity To Get Back At Japan

Japan began her career of expansion with the conquest of Korea. This jutting peninsula represents her first foothold on Asiatic mainland, and the subjugation of the Korean people served as the pattern for the occupation of Manchuria and the attempt to dominate China. No doubt the master minds of Nippon are all primed to apply the same methods and methods in Malaya, the Netherlands Indies, Burma, wherever they succeed in imposing their shotgun rule on the populations of the East.

But Korea exemplifies the flaw in the grandiose pattern, for Japan has never been able to tame the first land she annexed. Annexed in 1910, the Korean people, 25,000,000 strong, know from bitter experience what "brotherhood" and "co-prosperity" mean. Still a rebel nation, they are ready for any opportunity to fight for their freedom. Although the record of the deputies who at keeping their pledges to respect Korean independence is nothing to be proud of, and our silence on this point in the war prevented the extension of the right of self-determination to this subject race, the Korean leaders were inspired by the Fifteen Points to call a secret meeting to sign a declaration of independence. "Until the day of our independence," they affirmed in this document, "we shall always carry for the Japanese a sword in our hearts."

The future of Korea's opportunity, for it is obvious that the exploited Koreans in the factories of Japan dream of liberty for Vietnam and that the peninsula itself is of the greatest strategical importance should Russia ever go to war against Japan or should the United Nations be able to launch an offensive from Chinese territory. It is no wonder that the less ancient but more wise of this hardy people rises again as the battle spreads in the Pacific. Korea is the oldest and best witness of the effects of Japanese dominion. When the United Nations win she will be the first to profit by their victory. If, necessary, she can convince the other Asiatic nations that in fighting on our side they are fighting for their own freedom her example will help to insure that victory.—Editorial from the New York Times.

Divine Justice In Berlin

Realism Of A German Proverb Is Seen In Stricken City

Leipziger Strasse and Friedrich Strasse, main downtown shopping streets, are evidently in shambles. There is a poetic justice discernible in the fact that on Friedrich Strasse shops along these busy streets were, in the days before Hitler, owned by Jews. The Nazis dispossessed the Jews and handed these properties many valued at millions, over to powerful party members.

A German proverb says: "Goods ill-gotten unluckily bring no luck." How many Nazi shopkeepers think of this proverb as they stand before the ruins of their businesses.—New York Times.

CONVICTS PRODUCE WAR GOODS

Lt.-Col. W. H. Craig, warden at Portsmouth Penitentiary, Kingston, Ont., said convicts at the penitentiary have produced about 38,000 articles since the war began. About 35,000 went to the armed services and the remainder to Indians in Western Canada.

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GERMANY COULD NOT HELP BOTH

So They Moved Air Protection From Armies To The Cities

Squadron Leader John Stratchey writes in London Calling: It's part of my job to study the photographs of bombed German cities. I have in front of me now a photograph of the industrial area of Kassel. Kassel is an inland town of the same type as, say, Wolverhampton or Leicester or Derby—medium sized, highly industrial, a tangle of canals and railway and engineering works.

The photograph I am looking at was taken eight days after Bomber Command's last attack on the place. Patches of smoke still hang over some streets; but they're transparent and beneath them lies the shell of what once was a town. The railway stations are crumbled. In the great engineering plants every other shed is gone; and inevitably the shed buildings which housed their workers are now mere rows of gutted skeletons.

As you look at this picture you almost smell the bitter, acrid stuff that once we knew in Britain; you can almost feel again in your throat the dust and grit of the blitz. Hitler did it all to us, to the very limit of his power; but this is destruction such as we in Britain never knew—not of course that that is the reason why we're doing it to him now. On the contrary, we bomb because we could not possibly leave the factories of Germany intact for a single hour after we had the power to destroy them. For these factories are pouring out weapons which at this moment are being used to kill and maim our men, and the Russians, and the Americans, on all the battle fronts of Europe. We could not leave our men in the face if we hesitated for a moment.

One by one, the main centres of German production must be destroyed. The cities of the Ruhr have gone. New Hamburg and Hanover and Kassel have gone, too. Many more will go.

What does it mean? How far has it affected the Germans? Is it winning the war for us? To get an answer those questions with certainty for the simple reason that nothing like this has ever happened before: neither the Germans at bombing of us three years ago nor our bombing of Germany a year ago are real guides. Then damage was done to this factory or that; the overall rate of production as whole are being destroyed. How long can the people of Germany bear it?—or rather, how long can they bear it on top of everything else they have to bear? We don't know; but there's one way of thinking and judging. We know how much goods, how much munitions they are producing now; and we know by noting how much of his effort he devoted to trying to stop us and to that test the combined Anglo-American bomber offensive is the thing which the Germans fear most of all today.

For the German High Command have massed their fighters over their cities, to protect them against our bombs. And in so doing, they have largely deprived their armies of air cover. It has been a fascinating experience watch the steady decline in the German fighter forces away from the battle fronts and towards the cities of Germany. That shift began almost a year ago. It was as though invisible magnet was drawing the German fighter squadrons from their armies. The nearest was that of threat to Germany himself represented by the British and American heavy bombers based on these islands.

Today after three years of German fighters are over their centres of production as are over their armies. The Nazi Government has been faced with the choice of attempting to protect either its cities or its armies; for it knew that it could not protect both. The Nazi Government has chosen that its armies to protect its cities, and that has meant largely abandoning its armies.

Has Brought Changes

Japanese Like Other People Are Suffering Hardships Through War

The Tokyo radio, in a review of changes wrought 1943 throughout Japan, said they include "the figure of the young girls of Japan who are now garbed in Monpei (a kind of work suit or overall) instead of the traditional kimonos."

The broadcast also said that now "only the old and the weak age given fuel for heating purposes" and that hardly any government buildings in Tokyo have heating facilities in operation.

The broadcast was recorded by the U.S. foreign broadcast intelligence service.

MAN FOR THE JOB

The New York Sun says: In choosing Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder to be deputy chief commander of the western front invasion forces under General Eisenhower, the joint command has selected a man whose ability to co-ordinate air with ground action played a big part in chasing Rommel across Africa and kicking him out of Tunisia. It provided excellent training for the job of rolling the Germans back across Europe.

In Yauco, Puerto Rico, coffee is served in reverse. A cupful of hot milk is served first, then a container of strong, cold coffee, which the diner pours into the milk.

Y.M.C.A. Worker

Robert Gibson Will Work With British And Native Troops In India

The first Canadian "Y" worker to do emergency war work with the troops in India has been appointed. He is 29-year-old Robert G. Gibson, now of Winnipeg.

Chosen by the International Board of Y.M.C.A.'s in America, Mr. Gibson will work with British and native troops in India under the supervision of the Indian National Council. He will be associated in his work there with two other Canadians who have been in India for many years. They are Charlie Paterson of Montreal and Jack Dunderdale of Winnipeg.

A graduate in Commerce of the University of Alberta, Mr. Gibson worked for some years as purchasing agent for Thomas Lackers at Edmonton. Shortly after the outbreak of war he became a Y.M.C.A. war service secretary and since then has become Area Secretary in charge of airmen as supervisor of their offtime activities at Yungal and St. Thomas.

Recently he has acted as "Y" area secretary in Manitoba, Sask., and the Northern Pacific. His wife is a daughter of Dr. Tuttle, at one time moderator of the United Church of Canada, and he has one child.

Both Mr. Gibson and Dr. Wolf of the R.C.A.F. War Staff College, Toronto, and J. W. Beaton, national head of Y.M.C.A. war services, agree that the appointment of Mr. Gibson to the India post will mean good leadership of "Y" activities.

Other Canadian appointments by the International Board of Y.M.C.A.'s will soon follow. Of the twenty-five Americans to do emergency war work in China, eight are the near East, as well as in India, it is hoped that five will be Canadians.

Has Important Job

Spider Supplies Web Used In Lenses For Military Services

"The spider is another rather extraordinary little fellow who plays an important wartime chore," says Richard Dempewolff in "Animal Review," a fascinating story of the devotion and courage of animal heroes of the war. "For over half a century several optical companies in both America and England employed the eight-legged arachnid to spin silk for cross hairs on lenses of various surveying instruments. Then, when war was declared, all the military services of each country found need for such instruments, as well as for a few highly precise telescopic gun and bomb sights, they were faced with a critical shortage.

"His silken strands, varying anywhere from 1/100,000 of an inch to 1/500,000 are finer than the finest line that could be etched on a line of human hair. That gossamer thread the web would stretch for 15,000 miles. But delicate though it appears, this amazing product of the spider has a higher tensile strength than platinum or steel wire of equal thickness.

"By early 1942 there were a dozen 'spider farms' in this country and Canada, producing a total output of a 800,000 feet of web per year. British spider farmers prefer the web of a common gray garden spider usually found in dahlia beds. In America, however, many varieties are put to work. Even the relatively scarce silk of the black widow is used for certain types of military surveying instruments. But the finest comes from a five-day-old, long-legged, reddish-colored species of crab spider. These young arachnids give anywhere from thirty to a hundred feet of silk a day."

Allied Air Assaults

Germans Building False Towns To Deceive Our Airmen

Hundreds of bargee, once assembled by the Nazis for their grand invasion of Britain, are serving as floating "fog pots" to help screen German targets against the increasing fury of Allied air assaults.

The craft the Germans did not use have been pressed into emergency service as fog-laying flight bombers. They shoot tiny particles of liquid which forms a haze in the air. Thousands of portable smoke pots are also in use, but they haven't stopped the bombing.

The Germans are still building false towns, we are told, as a further aid in their efforts to lure the bombers from targets, returning airmen report.

Woodlands have been cut to resemble city parks all through Germany. France and the Low Countries. At one place the Nazis planned a large lake and built a fake airport on the site, only to see the bombers come over a few days later and wreck the real one.

AID TO RUSSIA

In two years, Britain sent to Russia armaments valued at £179,000,000 ($87,400,000), at the time that she was producing an incredible amount of war material for the use of her own expanding armies—for the first six months from June 1941 to June 1943.

INFRA-RED RAYS

The BBC said that a new instrument that helps Allied bombers strike targets through thick clouds and fog was described by a Swedish scientist as a "telephotographic apparatus with infra-red rays."

General Cuts With Tommy

On the road to Rome, General Sir Harold Alexander, commander-in-chief of British ground forces, now Allied commander on the Italian front, stopped to chat with this British Tommy who was carrying an extra-heavy load up the mountainside. This photo was taken on the Mount Camino sector.

Tribute To Farmers

Thousands Of Young Men From Farms Serving On Battlefronts

It is estimated that 400,000 men and probably at least 100,000 women have left the farms since 1939, so Arthur McNamara, Deputy Minister of Labour and Director, National Selective Service, told the Dominion-Provincial Agricultural Conference which met recently in Ottawa. Tens of thousands of young farmers are serving on the battlefronts. Thousands of others went with munitions factories during the first two years of the war when it was so vital that fighting weapons be supplied in ever increasing volume. Mr. McNamara paid tribute to the older people left on the farms, who with their young boys and girls have worked harder and produced more. Thousands of men and women, he said, have come back from well-earned retirement to help Canada's war effort on the farm front. Older men and women realize this extra work will probably impair their health, that it may shorten their lives, but they have concluded that in total war casualties are inevitable in all age brackets and on all fronts.

He said that Selective Service regulations have been a factor in stabilizing employment on farms and reviewed what the Government has done in an effort to overcome some of the difficulties in connection with farm labour shortage.

Families Will Suffer

If German Army Officers Make Attempt To Overthrow Hitler

A Swedish report says that the Gestapo holds the families of German army officers hostage against any attempt on Hitler.

Each higher officer knows that his wife, children and other dependents are closely watched by the Gestapo," the Swedish magazine Se (look) says in an article by a Swedish industrialist.

For that reason, the writer adds, "a thought cannot overthrow Hitler. The least suspicion that the officer might be involved in some sort of political action against the party would release a lightning attack by the Gestapo on these defenceless civilian dependents."

Are Not Really New

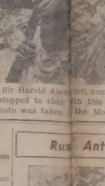
Most Slang Words Have Been Used For Many Years

Some high school slang is not as new as it looks. To be "hep" means to be knowledgeable or vivacious, just as it did 49 years ago; it may be new on this continent but it is still a term a "drip", but the English have done so since 1920. And to say that someone is in a "tizzy" when they are excited would have been proper English since about 1850; it is just getting to the high school crowd now.—Peterborough Examiner.

Sweet potatoes are used in the manufacture of candy bars ice cream powders, flour for pies and as sandwich spreads.

Buy War Savings Stamps Regularly

Rus Anthem



Sergei Mikoshkov, above, is co-composer of a new national anthem for the Soviet Union, that "better expresses the spirit and content of the Soviet republics," The Moscow recently said. The new composition, extolling Lenin and Stalin, replaced the old "Internationale."

Six Crops A Year

A Gardener In Scotland Has Them All Beat

We are indebted to the London bureau of the newspaper for the fascinating story of Mr. David Lowe, who lives near Edinburgh, and whose gardening project is said to be unique in the United Kingdom.

To sum it up, Mr. Lowe has eleven acres underlaid with steam pipes and covered a foot or so above the surface, with glass panes set in frames. By shooting steam into the ground once a year he "boils" the soil, killing all weeds. Each acre gets 100 tons of fertilizer and decomposed straw a year. He gets from eight to eight crops a year—a fantastic yield of lettuce, turnips, carrots, cauliflower, kidney beans, and a lot more of other things.

In the short Summer the glass is removed and the plants watered with warm water from overhead sprinklers. It is said his crops grow together in "wild joy." It sounds like it. Mr. Lowe appears to have raised the old hothouse and forcing bed to its highest efficiency.—New York Herald Tribune.

INCREASES PRICE

Container value often increases the price of foods. For instance, you generally pay more for foods in containers with fancy openings and gadgets than for those in plain cartons and this extra cost does not add to the quality of the food.

"Keep Off The Skyline" — Or Else —

That sign at the right is for the good of men such as these as they top a rise in the ground on approaching the firing line on the Sangro river front in Italy. Any soldier careless enough to show his head over the skyline is apt to have it—literally. The soldiers here are Gunner L. K. King, of Herne Hill, London, and Lance-Bombardier T. R. Hutchinson, of Cockermouth, Cumberland, both of the British Eighth Army.

Famous Naturalist

Jack Miner To Be Featured In The Saturday Evening Post

Jack Miner, the Canadian Naturalist, who has ranked as Canada's best known private citizen for seven years in succession, has rolled up another honor in his career by being written up in an article by John Burton Tigrett, which has been accepted by The Saturday Evening Post and which is to appear in a near-future issue.

The story deals with "Uncle" Jack's activities with special stress on his conservation efforts of bird life, which benefit both Canada and the United States. There are also a few photographs dealing with his methods of banding the birds to study their migration routes, each band having a verse of Scripture. The entire biography will be profusely illustrated throughout with colored photographs.

Very few Canadian achievements have been written up in The Saturday Evening Post, so every Canadian, as well as thousands of Jack Miner's followers in U.S.A., will look forward with eagerness to the issue of The Post, which carries the Jack Miner story, illustrated with new photos, all taken recently at the world-famous Bird Haven at Kingsville, Ontario.

According To Orders

Change In One Part Of Army Regulations Was Amusing

This story is very popular in the R.A.F. just now.

It is alleged that when R.A.F. way formed their authorities replied that King's Regulations must apply, and consequently Stationery Office was instructed to take Army KR and alter the word soldier to airman wherever the former occurred.

So that to this day one paragraph reads, for all with the industry to search: No airman may sleep more than 100 yards away from his horse. —London Daily Express.

Tobacco Stocks Low

Rationing Is Not Being Considered At Present Time

Tobacco rationing is not contemplated at present, but civilians may find it increasingly difficult to buy cigarettes and tobacco before the war is over, government officials said at Ottawa.

"We are not considering rationing tobacco," said David Simms, tobacco administrator for the federal government, but he seemed to elaborate on his comment other than to admit that tobacco stocks in Canada were exceptionally low.

WHAT SPARE TIME?

Although he is blind, Clifton Sears of Cummington, Mass., plays the organ in his church, directs the choir, takes organ lessons in nearby Northampton, keeps up his piano practice, operates a poultry and magazine agency, carries on a large chair-caning business and spends his spare time working on surrounding farms.

Seamen Like Wrens

Over 400 Are Stationed At Nova Scotia Training Centre

It's an old naval superstition that a woman aboard a ship brings bad luck with her, but H.M.C.S. Cornwallis, at Deep Brook, Nova Scotia, largest naval training establishment of its kind in the British Empire, has 450 women "aboard"—and the seamen wish there were more of them.

They are members of the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service. Purpose of Cornwallis is to train men for the sea, and the Wrens here are assistant in the management of the establishment—so that more men may be released for sea duty.

There is scarcely a department—from the fleet mail office to the Asdic school—which hasn't its complement of Wrens. They are serving as messengers, stewards, laundry operators, draftsmen, stenographers, cooks, switchboard operators, sick berth attendants, motor transport drivers, librarians, postal clerks and even photographers.

Housed in three large blocks they slog to their jobs through mud sometimes ankle deep. Their usual "rig of the day" at this time of year is navy-serge, burberrys and rubber boots—high ones.

In their quarters the Wrens manage to provide a homelike atmosphere, which somewhat belies the service life they are leading. There are movies to be seen every night, and dancing on Saturdays.

The girls enjoy swimming, sailing and outdoor games in summer. Winter brings with it bowling basketball, skating, skiing, archery and friendly gatherings of various sorts.

Within Next Century

Technologist Has Predicted That Even Man Will Be Perfect

Not many will be around to enjoy life 100 years from now, but, says Dr. James Shelby Thomas, technologist and economist, life is going to be swell within the next century.

Dr. Thomas has looked into the future and found, among other things, that everybody may be perfect within 100 years. The "perfect man," he said, will be over three inches fat, will never grow gray nor fat and will live to be 125 years old.

Dr. Thomas, former president of Swarthmore (N.Y.) College, is a sociology and the Chrysler Institute of Engineering and former University of Chicago economist, and his views on the future at a meeting of the Chicago section of the American Chemical Society.

The "perfect man" will owe his development to tremendous strides about to be taken in the biological and chemical sciences and in the fields of good living.

He predicted that soon after the war is over there will be millions of people that will live to 91, 92, 93 and contain dozens of new developments. These, he added, eventually may include unbreakable glass plumbing; filters that transform noises from outside into music inside; refrigerators that have everything, including murals and a library nook that can be redecorated completely by pressing a button.

Printing Of Music

Block Printing Was The Earliest Plan Adopted About 500 Years Ago

Block printing was the earliest plan adopted about 500 years ago for music, and the oldest known example is a book with Gregorian notes printed at Augsburg in 1473.

Block printing of music may be considered as the inventor of printing florid song with movable types. He was settled in Venice, and there produced his first work, a collection of 96 songs, in 1501. Another of his publications appeared in 1503, and a copy of this may be seen in the British Museum.

The stave lines and the notes were produced at two separate printings, the lines and staves being perfectly continuous and the notes set up in movable types. The only objection to this system was the expense of double printing, and this was overcome in 1507.

In England the first known attempt at music printing is by Higden's Polychronicon, printed at Westminster in 1495.

Goods For Malta

Island Is Being Restocked After Three Years Of Siege

Malta, denuded after three years of siege of many of the comforts of civilization is being restocked, orders for the island placed in Britain include: 20,000 sports jackets, 20,000 pairs of flannel trousers, 40,000 collars, 60,000 shirts, 60,000 singlets and 80,000 trying pans.

As a tribute to the part Malta played in the Mediterranean sea war, special steps are being taken to make shipping space available as soon as the goods are ready.

FREEDOM OF CITY

Sheffield, England, has conferred the freedom of the city on the York and Lancaster Regiment which will in future have the privilege of marching through the city with fixed bayonets on ceremonial occasions.

The first engagement rings used in the time of the Romans, were made of iron.

LAND MINES A REAL MENACE

Invasion Troops Will Have To Contend With These Nasty Obstacles

From time to time references in the news tend to show that land mines are a nasty obstacle to be overcome wherever the troops are advancing. What the invasion forces in Italy in Europe they are liable to to hold up by land mines everywhere along the beaches. Every road leading into the country will be mined and tracts of land away from the roads.

Land mines are particularly destructive against tanks. They are larger than the mines used to hold up the infantry. Every mine has to be lifted by hand; it is a slow process, particularly costly in casualties when the clearing operations have to be done under fire.

Land mines can be manufactured in enormous quantities, by relatively unskilled labor with cheap materials. They have probably been sown profusely for many miles back behind along the coasts, wherever the Allied forces are liable to land.

Human ingenuity has usually been able to find an answer to new weapons produced by the opposite side. Doubtless there is an intensive effort being made in every Allied country, especially among research workers, to provide the answer to the land mine before the invasion offensive is started within the next few months.

Hundreds of ingenious devices have probably been examined, but no word from the campaign in Italy would indicate that the land mine menace has been overcome or even reduced. It is open to any individual to do so as elsewhere to give thought to this problem.—Ottawa Evening Citizen.

Bombers Carry Animals

Black Donkey Is The Latest To Be Carried By A Flying Fortress

The Children's Newspaper recently told of a cow being flown in a bomber from Sicily to Cairo. Now comes news of a little black donkey, called Lady Moe, which is to be carried in a Flying Fortress, the crew of which had bought her from some Arabs in North Africa. They even fitted her with oxygen apparatus. Lady Moe will always have something to bray about.

Both cow and donkey, however, were probably travelling air passengers, and the first animal we have heard of who really likes flying is Judy, the spaniel mascot of the U.S.A.A.F. in Britain. Solvo not only owns regular flights, but also makes many a parachute jump, earning extra bones by bringing dispatches down from some 1,500 feet and making perfect and safe landings.

Salvo really has taken kindly to the life, on several occasions, and in case any readers of puckish mind should ask the question, we say at once that he is not an Airdale, or a Skye terrier!

Are Well Prepared

French Underground All Ready To Act When Invasion Starts

Only the mitated know how well the French underground has prepared for the Allied invasion. It would be dangerous to reveal details, but it can be said that an over-all, master plan of action has been drawn and consequently the understanding expects the Allies to come from the south, since men have been designated and trained for over every important governmental post in the Mediterranean area. Preparations are not so well advanced elsewhere. Armed groups are ready to handle all likely resistance though not, of course, strong concentrations of German troops. The underground has promised to await a landing before starting to obey Allied radio orders. However, it is warned that should the orders be late for any reason or even after military operations begin in France, the people will strike anyway.—Newsweek's

Canadian Coin

Causes A Little Confusion In Britain When Passed As A Shilling

Look carefully at the first of these two coins (showing a small illustration). I know what your answer will be—"why should you trouble to examine a common British shilling. But I repeat, examine the coin. Compare it with the head side of a shilling, and see what you find.

You cannot detect any difference? I admit it is slight, but undeniably there is a difference. This coin is no shilling for those who still have doubts I turn it over and reproduce the other side. Now it stands plainly revealed for what it is—a Canadian 25-cent piece.

It was unwittingly accepted—and doubtless given in all innocence—as a shilling in change. And little wonder. For, seen head-side uppermost, the coin is almost indistinguishable from a shilling, even at a close glance.—Leeds Yorkshire Post.

TO HONOR HEROES

A plan to honor heroes in the resistance against the Nazis in The Netherlands by inscribing their names and deed in a book "to be passed on to posterity" was outlined by Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

German authorities have closed all Christian churches in the Netherlands and confiscated their property.

An aircraft worker who talked in a bus queue about his work, which is secret, was fined $163 at Maidenhead, England.

Police were called to control a crowd which rushed a Perth, Australia, store after it had advertised clothes pins for sale.

A portable medical laboratory for ships at sea and isolated bases has been developed by the Royal Canadian Navy's medical research unit.

From their weekly subsistence allowance, members of civil defence units in Bletchley, Eng., have given the equivalent of $200 to war funds.

J. B. Priestley has written a new play to be performed and staged only by the army. It is called "Desert Highway," the story of six tankmen stranded in the desert.

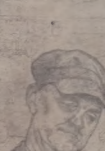
John Galsworthy's favorite chair, upholstered in black satin and gold cord brought $95 at a recent auction of the furniture from the author's former home.

Among the first of the United States troops to set foot on the mainland of Europe, at Salerno last September, was a battalion made up entirely of American-born Japanese.

Thirty large airfields with control rooms, hangars, buildings, camps, etc., have been built in Nigeria for the use of thousands of aircraft which have been sent to the Middle East, and beyond.

The Germans lost 232 of their valuable fleet of night fighters in attempting to defend German cities against R.A.F. attacks in 1943, as against only 69 in 1942, the Air Ministry announced.

The Shopman



"Jock" Smith, veteran shopman of the Canadian National Railways, is the subject of this sketch by Grant Macdonald, noted Canadian artist, whose drawings of members of Canada's armed forces have aroused widespread interest. This is one of a new series by Mr. Macdonald depicting Canadian railway workers engaged in the big task of keeping the country's war traffic moving. "Jock", a veteran of the last war, is a pipe-fitter. He and 24,000 other shopmen in this and allied trades keep the 2,372 locomotives, and the 103,201 freight and passenger cars of the National System in shape to handle the huge war traffic. In addition, several thousand C.N.R. shopmen are engaged in the manufacture of munitions.

Rationing In Russia

Stamps Required For Purchase Of All Foods Including Bread

Early in the war, Russia set up a severe rationing system in order to offset the food shortage occasioned by the loss to Nazi Germany of about 40 per cent. of the country's agricultural resources.

According to available information, food stamps are required for the purchase of almost every food, including the staples, bread and cereals, for rationing purposes citizens are divided into different groups with the manual workers, college students and scientists receiving the largest food allotments.

Sufficient food to meet the ration is requisitioned by the state and sold at fixed prices. Any surplus may be legally sold in the open market without benefit of price control.

The Newest Term

War Factory In Britain Measures Production By "Gran-Hour"

A large British war factory has a new unit for measuring production—the "gran-hour."

This is the term used, and very respectfully, by factory management for the 350 hours of work contributed voluntarily by 52 energetic grandmothers and one great-grandmother.

The grey-haired women, most of whom worked in war factories during the last war, do vital jobs soldering, paint-spraying, drilling and assembling. The plant-manager said that they are among his most efficient and most dependable workers.

First zoo in American was founded at Halifax in 1847 by Andrew Downs.

Came On On Top

Enemy Found Sleepy Little Sniper From Canada Once Fighter

It takes more to see men armed with axes and saws to put Pte. Stan Fleet out of action, and that's why the little man from Kitchener, Ont., and Killarney, Man., is still around to tell the story.

Pte. Fleet is top around 28 scars as mementoes of a brush with the axe-and-sickle horde. He landed in Canada absentee hospital ship Lady Nelson.

A self-confident little scrapper measuring about 5 feet six in his army boots, Stanley had his way through Sicily with the First Division, and he was southern Italy when he ran into a biggest pile of trouble. It was a hospitable affair, a bout with malaria he was trying to catch up with a outfit on foot.

"I dead stopped a thin well for a drink, and got sick," he said. "There was no one in sight, but I bent down something of me to duck. And a good idea to for next second an axe clipped me on the head.

Swinging about at saw six men dressed in civilian clothes, swiping at him with axes as scythes. "They might not have been Germans or Eyeties—I never did find out," he said.

Things happened fast as Pte. Fleet went into action with bayonet and his educated finger. In the melee, he saw two of his assailants drop, and after the things got hazy.

But the little rivate was still handing out punishment when those of his opponents still on their feet fled.

Weakened from six 28 cuts, Pte. Fleet was found by when Canadians arrived. They took him later he must have been out as in count of victims, for three bodies lay sprawled around the well.

The Canadian's two major wounds were a long gash and split open his chin—in fact, which he now is known as "sickle-bud"—and a slashing axe blow that ill but cut off his left hand. Both are healing now, and Pte. Fleet says he hopes he soon be ready to dart back to the wars again.

This wasn't the first time he had been wounded. While his blade wounds were being treated in hospital, doctors dug out a slug from a German revolver that had taken some time before. It was, says Pte Fleet, the last shot fired by the owner of the revolver, for the marksman brought him down.

PRODUCTION GREATER

Last year 1,000,000 tons more cereals for bread and more than 250,000 tons more potatoes were grown in Soviet Russia.

Despite the fact that the harvest, reports the Montreal Gazette, is the greatest yield per acre of these products since official records have been kept.

CHILDREN'S LUNCHBOXES

War worker or children's lunchboxes should be kept clean and fresh. One of the best methods of cleaning is to wash out the lunch box frequently with warm water to which soda has been added. The lunchbox should be dried thoroughly.

Cretan Tombstone

Erected On Site Of Town Destroyed By Germans

By the side of a highway in German-occupied Crete stands a "tombstone"; on it, in German and in Greek, is this "epitaph": "As a reprisal for the foul murder of German soldiers by German men and women, the village of Kandanos was destroyed." Flanking the sign are the ruins of the razed and burned village.

Kandanos, at the time of the German invasion, was a flourishing village of about 1,000 souls. It had several public buildings including a post and telegraph office, a magistrate's court, schools and a police station.

This is but one of many villages which the Germans have wiped out in revenge for defeats at the hands of the Cretan guerrillas, who, together with a number of British and New Zealand soldiers left behind in the evacuation after the fall of Greece. They operate in the mountains, swoop down on German parties and kill and capture the Huns.

Early in September, according to information now in the hands of the Greek War Relief Fund here, Cretan guerrillas rounded up one German party, killed 113, wounded 71 and captured 13. In revenge, on September 15, the Germans marched 2,000 of their troops into the district and burned down the village of Mournies, Riza, Mirthion and Eudonia. Previously, four other villages had been razed by the Germans.—Greek War Relief Fund Information.

He was taking the customary test for the Home Guard service, when the instructor asked: "What is the best way to immobilize your car?"

"Let my wife drive it," came the immediate reply.

Can Keep Secrets

Canadian Army Women Doing Highly Confidential And Exacting Work

Canadian women can keep a secret —C.W.A.C.'s are proving that at Canadian military headquarters overseas records office. C.W.A.C.'s in a big, lumbering building with miles of stone corridors are doing highly confidential and exacting work—but their lips are buttoned tight.

In their work, more routine than exciting, they keep a record of every time Pte. John Doe reports to the M.O. with the sniffles and every time he goes A.W.L. They keep the records, too, of every time he is posted to some secret operation, such as Dieppe.

"But the C.W.A.C.'s keep their secrets," said Sgt. Christine Cantz of Southey, Sask. The sergeant is secretary to the officer commanding, Col. P. T. E. Hicks-Lyne, of Pretoria, borough, and she admits that a great deal of interesting information passes under her nose.

FOR MARKETING POULTRY

Red, blue and brown inks for marking grade poultry have been developed by the Division of Chemistry, Dominion Department of Agriculture, and have been found satisfactory in commercial tests.

"Flying Bus" For Ontario Coach Lines

That "flying buses" will be an important part of after-the-war transportation is indicated in the application to the government of the Toronto Transportation commission to operate air lines over many Ontario routes now travelled by Gray Coach buses. Above is the model of the proposed "flying bus" which hopes to be used on the T.T.C. air routes servicing key points in Ontario and connecting with Buffalo.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

JANUARY 16

JESUS ANSWERS HIS CRITICS

Golden text: Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Matthew 5:11.

Lesson: Mark 2:15—3:35.

Devotional readings: Psalm 37:1-9.

Explanations and Comments

Criticized for Eating with Publicans and Sinners. Mark 2:15-17. Jesus called Levi to be his disciple, and Levi gave a dinner, seemingly to honor Jesus, and to it he invited other publicans. Scribes and Pharisees who saw Jesus at this dinner criticised him: "How is it that he eateth and drinketh with the sinners and publicans?" they asked the disciples. Jesus met the critics with the words: "They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Criticized for not Fasting. Mark 2:18-22. In the former episode Jesus' enemies made their criticisms of him to the disciples; now they came to him with a complaint about the disciples, but he continued to feast and drink with the sinners and publicans. "Can the sons of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?" Friends of a bridegroom conducted the bride and her companions to the home of the bridegroom with singing and playing of musical instruments, and there celebrated there for a week of feasting and mirth. It was the time for rejoicing, not fasting, and so was it for the disciples in the presence of the Lord.

Criticized for Plucking Ears of Grain on the Sabbath. Mark 2:23—3:6. There were no fields in Galilee, and public paths led through privately owned fields of grain. Jesus and his disciples were walking on Sabbath day along such a path, and the disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears of barley or of wheat. This was lawful, as Dt. 23:25 shows. "When thou comest into thy neighbor's standing grain, thou mayest pluck out ears with thy hand; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbor's standing grain." But the Pharisees' criticism of these act was that they did this on the Sabbath. Maimonides had declared that "He that reaps on the Sabbath, though under an hour, is guilty," and that "the ears of grain is a kind of reaping."

Jesus' reply to their criticism was ironical. "Did ye never read what David did?" he said. A year's minute study of the letter of the Scriptures, did not make them "men of the page?" When David, he reminded them, was hungry he entered a building (and that at the time) and had need of bread, he had entered the tabernacle of God at Nob (Jerusalem) and had given it also to his companions, yet it was unlawful for anyone save the priests to eat it.

Farm Accounts

Farm Account Book To Help Record Of Transactions

At all times, the keeping of farm accounts has been associated with good farm management, but under war conditions a precise record of the business transactions for the yearly operation of the farm is a necessity. To assist the farmer in keeping this record, the King's Printer, Ottawa, has available a simple annual farm account book. It covers all farm operations and has the great advantage that the keeping of the book does not incur a special knowledge of expert accountancy. The book is entitled "Farm Account Book" and may be obtained from the King's Printer, Ottawa, at the nominal price of ten cents.

GOT HIS MONEY BACK

When Thomas Rideout, Halifax stevedore, lost his wallet while loading a ship in port last September, he thought that would be the end of it. But crewmen—unloading the vessel in the United Kingdom—came across the lost article and placed it in the hands of the ship's officers. Rideout received the wallet by mail recently. Intact were $110 and Rideout's waterfront pass.

In the battle of Jutland in 1916 there were only 252 ships on both sides.

RATIONING TIME TABLE

Coffee or Tea (Green)

Coupons 26 and 27 valid January 6. Coupons 28 and 29 valid January 27. No expiry date. Each good for ½ lb coffee OR 2 ounces of tea.

Sugar (Pink)

Coupons 23 and 24 valid January 6 "No expiry date. Each good for 1 lb of sugar.

Butter (Purple)

Coupons 42 and 43 now valid, expire January 31. Coupons 44 and 45 valid January 6, expire January 31. Coupons 46 and 47 valid January 20. Each good for ½ lb of butter.

Meat (Brown)

Coupons 30, 31, 32 (all pairs) now valid, expire January 31. Coupons 33 (pairs) valid January 6, expire January 31. Coupons 34 (pairs) valid January 13, expire January 31. Coupons 35 (pairs) valid January 20, expire February 29. Coupons 36 (pairs) valid January 27, expire February 28.

Salmon

On and after January 17, 1 meat coupon equals ¼ lb canned salmon.

Preserves ("D" Orange)

Coupons D1 to D9 now valid. Coupons D10 and D11 valid January 6. No expiry date.

Preserves Coupon Values: 6 fluid oz. of any of the following—jams, jellies, marmalades, maple butter, honey butter; OR 1 lb net of comb honey (in squares); OR 12 fluid oz. (1 lb net) of extracted honey or maple syrup; OR 20 fluid oz. (1 pint) of molasses; OR 16 fluid oz. of corn syrup, or cane syrup, or any blended table syrup; OR ½ lb net of maple sugar; OR 10 fluid oz. canned fruit; OR ½ lb of sugar.

Holiday Pictures Helped

Were Invention In Plane For Invasion Of North Africa

In May of last year, the British Admiralty asked the people for photographs taken on their continental holidays in peacetime, and received about five million in response, reports Britain. These pictures added enormously to the invasion plans for North Africa and Sicily. For instance, it was necessary to know whether beaches were sandy or rocky and what was the extent of the slope. A family photograph showing people wading, swimming or climbing rocks helped to elucidate these points.

More than 8,000 Axis aircraft were destroyed in all the campaigns in North Africa. Some 8,000 of these were destroyed in combat, the rest captured or destroyed on the ground.

Health League of Canada presents Topics of Vital Interest

UNITED NATIONS FOOD CONFERENCE

"It has for too long been taken for granted that food is available to all," says the Canadian Medical Association Journal in commenting on the conference on Food and Agriculture held at Hot Springs, Ark., when representatives of 44 countries, nine of them occupied by enemy forces, took part.

"For the past twenty years there has been a rising tide of education on the subject of nutrition. It has reached such heights as to raise hope that the average individual is beginning to absorb the main principles . . . and yet that is not the most important side of the matter. It is well to teach the principles of good nutrition, but it is necessary to have the food first. That the production of food can be made adequate has never been questioned. That there has been a failure to distribute food reasonably and to all is equally beyond question. The paradox of starvation of the consumer and ruin of the producer in a world of plenty is one at which we may well gaze with dismay. There is, therefore, more than ordinary significance in the recent United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture. . . . The delegates could not bind their countries as they had no power to do so, but they made unanimous recommendations which should be highly effective in each country. . . . Only through the work of the League of Nations could an accurate and comprehensive picture of the state of nutrition throughout the world be available . . . and it will be one of the tasks of the proposed United Nations food and agricultural organization to complete the picture in dismal detail and replace it by a brighter one."

The article went on to say that from the medical point of view the work of the Conference holds out hope of the problem being approached practically. Only by its solution can the prevention of disease, on a scale far beyond what could be done by separate medical planning be attained. . . . Indeed "no plans for the betterment of human health can be more than imperfect makeshifts so long as nutrition is poor."

An Unusual Hobby

Woman Has Collected Many Bells During Last 25 Years

Mrs. Genevieve Farley, of Brighton, has collected a hundred unusual bells during the past 25 years. Her interest in bells goes back to her days as a telephone switchboard operator when their ringing foretold disaster or happiness. She owns bells used to tell the whereabouts of herds in Tibet, to announce the presence of customers in an old New England tea shop, and to call for rice and tea in an Oriental mansion.

During a person's waking hours, the eyes are in a continuous state of activity.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

ANSWER: Sole, sword, blue, skipper.

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8 Ecclesiastical vestments
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14 Turkish regiment
17 Troubled blackbird
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21 To summon
23 Chinese measure
29 Glacial ridge
31 To employ
33 To obtain
35 Moslem name
37 Grey
39 Fencing sword
43 Having limits
46 Fame
47 Placed on a mound
49 To declare
50 Body of water
51 Period of time
52 Fuel
54 Unanticated
58 Compass point
59 Italian coin
62 Switzerland
65 Wild goat
66 Great Lake
67 Pronoun
68 Bovidae
69 Insurance
70 Head organ
71 Yields

VERTICAL
1 To grate
2 Appellation of Athena
3 Buoyage
4 Conceals
5 German composer
6 Sufficient
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8 Nimbus
9 Small singing bird
10 Azure
11 Prophet
12 To deposit
15 To digress
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25 Law court
26 Near the stern
27 Famished
28 To bum
29 Printer's measure
30 Inclinable
32 Female sheep
34 Girl's name
36 European fish
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51 At any time
53 Comfort
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56 Chopping tools
64 To bind

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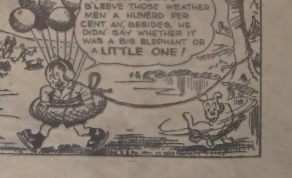
REG'LAR FELLERS—Word To The Wise

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"This is where your convoy duty ends. . . . Good-night!"

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FOR LAST YEAR HIGHER IN VALUE ALTHOUGH FARMS YIELDED LESS

OTTAWA.—The value of Canadian agricultural production in 1943 probably will exceed that for the bumper crop of 1942 although being yielded less and there were fewer people to work them, authorities here said.

In 1942 the net value of agricultural production was $1,570,000,000 compared with $826,400,000 in 1939. The prospects are that 1943 production will be worth about $1,500,000,000.

Since 1939 an estimated 400,000 men and 100,000 women have left the farm but agriculture department officials said they estimate the output of the average farm worker is 86 per cent greater than it was four years ago.

"Those who have remained on the farm have worked harder, have risen earlier in the morning and have gone to bed later," said one official.

They have not had all the machinery they wanted to help them meet labor shortages. Instead they have been obliged to seek a helping hand from the youngsters and from their parents at a time when these older folk should normally be taking a well-earned rest."

Agriculture department statistics indicated the average man on the farm in 1943 produced three dozen eggs for every two dozen before the war, nearly twice as many hogs, three bushels of coarse grains for every two, six pounds of butter for every five and more than five pounds of cheese for every four.

The most important gain in production value in 1943 will come from livestock and livestock products, authorities said. A preliminary estimate of field crops issued by the Dominion bureau of statistics, on the basis of grower value, showed a decline of about $100,000,000 from 1942 when the output of wheat, coarse grains and other field crops was among the best in Canadian history.

But enlarged production of hogs, milk, beef cattle and poultry products in 1943 with improved values in many classes, was expected to more than compensate for the reduced field-crop value.

REVOLT IMPOSSIBLE

Death Sentence For Any German Who Tries It

STOCKHOLM.—Signs of flagging morale in Germany have brought a wave of death sentences making it impossible for any group to organize a revolution, Christian Jacobsund, Berlin correspondent of Tidningen, said in a despatch.

"A study of the terror from could be precipitated by doubt as to whether to go on fighting, but today doubters are punished by death," he wrote.

"One of the leading Nazis close to Hitler told me that only the Hitler regime has a possibility of organizing a revolution. Even the slightest manifestation of organized opposition to the regime, or criticism, has been nipped by the all-powerful Himmler organization."

Jaederlund said there is no danger of a food shortage and wrote that German officials say the Allied food bomb war against the reich now is the biggest home front as well as military problem.

He said that thus far Berliners have stood up under air attacks.

He told how Hamburg had been able to resume production within a few weeks after it had been practically knocked out in August.

Workers were ordered to return under threat of being deprived of any place to live in the reich how they work, sleep and eat in factories as well as in the cellars of their bombed-out homes.

YEAR OF DESTINY

Plans Are Completed For 1944 Says Prime Minister Smuts

PRETORIA, South Africa.—Prime Minister Smuts predicted that this year "is going to be a year of destiny."

Addressing the Transvaal head committee of the United Party, Smuts said:

"Unless something unforeseen happens and unless we make some incalculable blunder, this year is going to be a year of destiny and of decisions which will affect the fate not only of South Africa but the whole world for generations to come.

"Our program is in order and our plans are mapped out politically and militarily.

"I have come back from Britain with the impression that our 'set-up' for the last phase of the war is a good one."

FLOUR PRODUCTION UP

OTTAWA.—Production of wheat flour in Canada during November was 2,175,851 barrels compared with 1,973,401 barrels in November, 1942, the Dominion bureau of statistics said. "This was the largest monthly output so far this year," the bureau said.

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FOREIGN WORKERS

Forced Labor In Germany Receiving Terrible Treatment

LONDON.— Foreign workers in Germany are treated like livestock according to a comprehensive account of their living conditions given to Anda by a Netherlands student who recently escaped from the Reich after being shipped there from the Netherlands for forced labor.

Workers were housed in crowded, unsanitary huts behind barbed wire over which factory police stood guard. Beatings were left to the judgment of foremen. Even in living quarters was inadequate. Medical attention was careless and disease prevalent.

The student said that in the huts at the Mauser Berlin factory last summers workers preferred to sleep on the floors because lice made it impossible to get rest in the beds.

The informant was quartered for a time at Camp Tristrasse in Berlin where there were thousands of foreign workers of all nationalities. The camp had no lavatories and only two water taps for 3,000 men.

He declared that medical care was of the most perfunctory sort, and that contagious diseases were common with dysentery, scarlet fever and typhus particularly prevalent. The doctors looked upon every patient as a possible malingerer.

Nazi Engineers Building Strong Defences In Italy

ALGIERS.—German engineers are rushing to completion an Italian "Siegfried Line" several miles deep and as powerful as anything in fortifications in western Europe, German prisoners reported.

Intent on keeping the Allies from Rome as long as possible, the Nazis were said to be installing their formidable new defence system a few miles from the present battle line, with its strongest features located in the neighborhood of Cassino opposite the 8th Army and inland from Pescara, Adriatic coastal anchorage.

Canadian forces of the 8th Army are bearing.

The desperate nature of German resistance in Italy in recent weeks possibly was dictated by the necessity of holding until the new line could be completed.

The Nazis also were reported forming reserves of mobile defence units back of the fighting line and to be reinforcing their troops at the front with crack mountain regiments. An Allied officer said the enemy appeared to be preparing for a long war of attrition up the Italian leg.

Canadian troops from the Maritime provinces stormed and captured "Point 59", a strategic knoll on a hill about three miles from Ortona and overlooking the coastal highway to Pescara. The advance was first of importance for the Canadians since a snow and windstorm hit the Adriatic sector recently.

POWDERED EGGS

Several Thousand Carloads Of Eggs For Britain

OTTAWA.— The department of agriculture has announced that the special products board expects to buy several thousand carloads of eggs from Canadian producers to export to Great Britain in the form of powdered eggs.

The board has said the present price of 35 and a half cents a dozen will continue through 1944.

Eight plants in central and Western Canada are equipped to process the eggs, the powder is to be packaged in 14 pound cartons for the British catering trade, and in five ounce packages for household use.

DEATH RATE LOW

CAIRO.— Of nearly 30,000 battle casualties treated at Allied hospitals in the Middle East in the year ending April, 1943, there was a comparatively low rate of only 2 per cent, analysis disclosed. Total deaths during the period were 611. This compares to a 7.44 per cent mortality rate in hospitals in Egypt and Palestine in the last war.

DESTINATION UNKNOWN

LONDON.—Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery, newly-appointed commander of British ground forces in the forthcoming invasion of Europe, has left London for an unannounced destination. It was assumed that he has either gone away for a rest or to take up his new appointment in the country.

GOEBBELS HAS PLANS

STOCKHOLM.— Propaganda Minister Goebbels has started a competition among 150 of Germany's best architects by design "Europe's greatest city for 10,000,000 persons" on the site of devastated Berlin, it was learned here.

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Canadian Army Command Changes

These senior officers of the Canadian Army are leading figures in changes in the command of Canada's overseas army announced by Ottawa along with news of the retirement from active command of Gen. McNaughton. At left is Lieut.-Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, former chief of the general staff who commands a Canadian Corps fighting in the Mediterranean theatre. At right is Lieut.-Gen. Kenneth Stuart, present chief of the general staff who is now appointed chief of staff, Canadian military headquarters, London and acting commander of the First Canadian Army. They are pictured together watching Canadian troop manoeuvres in Britain.

PLANS BEING MADE

To Send Needed Supplies To Europe After Invasion Starts

LONDON.—While the Allied forces prepare for a second front, the British government is planning a second invasion wave — men and women bearing food and clothing for the ragged and starved people of Europe.

The board of trade and ministry of supply have have canvassed all British clothing stores for their surplus stocks. These garments are now being received and sorted at large depots. They will be ready to be rushed across the Channel in the wake of the army.

Most of the clothing being collected from shops are utility lines not in demand such as raincoats, rayon clothing. Since a woollen garment or tweed jacket takes in many cases the same number of coupons as cottons or rayon garment, British purchasers will not surrender coupons for the flimsier clothes.

It is expected that knitted wear and footwear will be supplied by Canada and the United States, where the shortage is not as great as it is in Britain.

WHEAT STOCKS LOWER

OTTAWA.—The Dominion bureau of statistics reported that stocks of Canadian wheat in store or in transit in North America at midnight, Dec. 30 totalled 358,506,146 bushels, including 322,644,579 on Canadian positions and 35,511,579 in United States positions. On the corresponding date last year stocks were 468,186,785 bushels.

NEW OIL WELLS

Several New Locations In Turner Valley Now Producing

CALGARY.—Last news for many months for the Alberta oil industry was received by mi men at the opening of 1944, the Alberta Petroleum Association announced.

Opening up an estimated six to 10 locations in both Turner Valley as proven oil and Northeast in the east flank produced at the rate of 20 barrels an hour on preliminary tests of the upper porous lime horizon.

The new producer, located in an area previously considered doubtful, is a quarter of a mile east of Hudson's Bay 13, which is yielding about 400 barrels of crude daily.

Following the tests, preparations were being made to carry the well down to the lower porous lime horizon.

SHOWS DECREASE

Official Cost-Of-Living Index Was Lower At December 1

OTTAWA.—The official cost-of-living index declined from 119.4 at Nov. 1 to 118.8 at Dec. 1, making the total wartime increase 18.4 per cent, the Dominion bureau of statistics reported.

"Decreases in indexes for foods and fuel and lighting overbalanced a rise in home furnishings and miscellaneous items," said the bureau.

"The food index dropped from 133.1 to 132.7 with decline for beef, pork, oranges, turnips and cabbage of greater importance than increases for butter, eggs and potatoes."

PEOPLE WELL FED

Canadians Are Eating Better In Spite Of Rationing

OTTAWA.—Canada as a nation is eating better than ever before despite rationing and occasional shortages, the wartime information board said in a review of food supplies available to various nations.

The condition of Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand in respect to the adequacy of the wartime diet was described as "extremely favorable" when compared with European countries.

Reviewing food rationing in 33 countries, the board said that in some—notably Canada, Britain and the United States—the people as a whole were better fed today, despite rationing, than before the war. This was because of increased purchasing power, more even distribution of available foods and other factors.

At the other end of the scale were countries where the food available was insufficient not only to maintain health and working efficiency, but, for large groups of people, to maintain life itself.

"The Canadian rations are among the most liberal in the world," the review said. "Only Australia and New Zealand have as few foods rationed so generously—and in those countries a severe clothing rationing scheme is imposed.

WORKERS WARNED

Sir Stafford Cripps Says This Will Be Difficult Year

LONDON.—Workers at a Greater London factory were warned against over-optimism by Sir Stafford Cripps, minister of aircraft production, who told them this year would be "by far the most difficult year both on the fighting front and the factory front at home."

"It is perfectly true that the position of the United Nations is very much better than it ever was in the whole course of the war but we must always remember that a wild beast is never so dangerous as when he has been wounded," he said. "Undoubtedly the Nazis have been very seriously wounded and the danger of desperation comes from that state of affairs."

PAYING REFUNDS

Income Tax Office Is Working As Quickly As Possible

OTTAWA.—Revenue Minister Gibson said that income tax refunds are being sent out as quickly as possible, and added it is hoped soon to increase the rate of 8,000 a day.

Between June and August last year the income tax division received the largest number of returns in its history and with them came thousands of claims for refunds arising from the forgiveness of one-half of the 1942 tax liability.

YOUNGER TROOPS

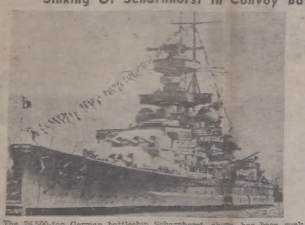
STOCKHOLM.—The Russian winter offensive and the threat of invasion from the west finds Germany's front-line troops made up largely of youths of 18 and 19 and men from 30 to 38, the Berlin correspondent of the Malmoe Sydsvenska Dagbladet wrote.

How Canadians Spent Christmas In Italy

—Canadian Army Overseas Photo.

Shown here are hosts and guests at a Christmas party held in Italy by Canadian troops for children of an Italian kindergarten.

Sinking Of Scharnhorst In Convoy Battle Off Norway



The 26,500-ton German battleship Scharnhorst, above, has been sunk after an engagement with units of the British home fleet off Norway, under the command of Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser. The British ships were protecting a convoy to Russia.

Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser who commanded units of the British home fleet, which sunk the German battleship Scharnhorst, off Norway.

SPANIARDS IN RUSSIA

NEW YORK.—Spanish soldiers are fighting with the Germans on the Volkhov front in northern Russia despite assertions by Gen. Franciscco's government that all Spaniards have been called home, a broadcast Russian communique asserted. The communique quoted a captured Spanish soldier, Jesus Perez Sanchez, as authority for the assertion.

Buy War Savings Stamps Regularly.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF HUGE LANDING BARGES MAY SOON BE COMMENCED IN CANADA

New Command

Gen. Sir Bernard (Tolly) Paget, new commander of the Allied forces in the Middle East with headquarters at Cairo. He was formerly commander of the British home defence forces.

OTTAWA.—Canada may soon be building huge landing barges—vessels of the general dimensions of a car ferry—for the British government, it was revealed here following announcement of the government decision to halt the laying of keels for more frigates and corvettes.

Discussions on the project already have been initiated with the British authorities, officials disclosed. They said they hoped to negotiate a contract which would keep yards on both the Canadian Pacific and Atlantic coasts in full operation for a year and possibly 18 months.

The new vessels cannot be built in great lakes shipyards as they are too large to reach the sea through the inland canal systems. Government sources said, however, they expected a program of small vessel construction would be carried out this year on a scale sufficient to keep inland yards busy.

Canada already has been building invasion barges in her shipyards in several shipyards. The vessels which it is now hoped to construct in the Dominion, however, bear little resemblance to the barges hitherto turned out. They are designed to carry not only large numbers of troops for overseas, but also an effective force of tanks and heavy transport equipment.

It was admitted here there might be some lapse in labor and skills in the interval required by the yards to switch to the new type of vessel, but that there would be no loss in technical staffs, and that any holiday for general shipyard labor in any of the yards would be a brief one.

Guarding Vital Sea Lanes Of North Atlantic

OTTAWA.—The Royal Canadian navy's fleet of speedy, sub-chasing motor launches guarding the waters of Canada's eastern coast have been operating for the past seven months under their own command, directed by Capt. J. A. Keenan, of Ottawa, naval service headquarters announced.

In assuming, control of the fleet Capt. Heenan also was made commanding officer of H.M.C.S. Venture, a converted yacht used as the M.L. base ship—the nerve centre of the fleet.

Capt. Heenan's right-hand men are LL-Cmdr. R. M. Powell, of Ottawa, his staff officer, and LL-Cmdr. Thomas Denny, of Victoria.

Since the start of the war, officials said, the motor launches have been guarding the vital sea lanes of the North Atlantic, and since coming under their own command have increased their efficiency a hundred fold.

Travelling in flotillas of six, they have seen service from the most northern tip of Labrador to Key West, Fla., and Bermuda's sunny south. They played an important role along with the minesweepers when Germany mined the mouth of Halifax harbor and they frequently dash to the aid of distressed merchant ships. The armament they recued number in the hundreds.

INVALIDED HOME

Large Number Of Canadians Arrived On The Empress

HALIFAX.—More than 100 wounded veterans of the fighting in Sicily and Italy, the "Red Patch Devils" of the Canadian First Division in the British Eighth Army, arrived here aboard the hospital ship Lady Nelson, and impatiently awaited their first glimpse of the land that would take them back to their homes, or at least back to their home provinces.

Also returning aboard the white-painted former cruise liner were large numbers of Canadian troops invalided home from North Africa because of illness or injury, and R.A.F. personnel and a few members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps.

TRAINING GROUND

French North Africa Vast Centre For Allied Invasion Troops

A LARGE force of United States and French troops are undergoing training throughout French North Africa for coming assaults across the Mediterranean, it is learned the Germans, it was disclosed.

North Africa was officially described as "one vast training centre for troops destined for future operations," with camps scattered throughout Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco.

U.S. COAL SHORTAGE

NEW YORK.—Ten of the Woolworth building's 24 elevators were taken out of service because of the current coal shortage but E. J. McVeigh, building superintendent, said he hoped a fresh supply of fuel would arrive soon. The building manufactures its own power from steam.

NEW PROPULSION PLANE WILL BE CAPABLE OF HIGH SPEEDS WITHOUT USE OF PROPELLERS

WASHINGTON.—Cloaked in secrecy for years, a new "rocket" plane has emerged from British-American engineering laboratories, capable of extreme speeds at high altitudes without using standard propellers.

The disclosure was made in a joint statement by the R.A.F. and the United States army air forces.

The plane is powered with jet propulsion engines. No details were given. Jet propulsion is generally considered in aviation circles to be a series of short, sharp explosions of the rocket principle, hurling the plane forward. Aviation authorities have said that today's airplanes have just about reached their limits in speed at close to 500 miles an hour by use of propellers and that the jet propulsion or rocket principle is the next logical step to greater achievement.

The German air force has been reported experimenting with rocket devices on planes to give them additional power on takeoffs or higher speed in emergencies.

Several hundred flights by the new British-American planes were made without a single mishap and quantity production is just around the corner, the Allied chiefs declared. Research work on the idea started 10 years ago in Great Britain under Group Captain Frank Whittle of the R.A.F. and his preliminary engine ran successfully in 1937.

The joint statement issued in Washington by Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the army air forces, disclosed that the British air ministry placed its first order for a plane using the propulsion principle from the Gloster Aircraft Company, Ltd., in 1939; the engines to be built by Power Jets, Ltd., in a special factory in Lutterworth. Group Capt. Whittle was loaned to this company.

"The first successful flight of this aircraft was in May, 1941," the statement said, sharp criticism of Flt. Lt. F. G. Sayers, chief test pilot of Gloster Aircraft company, and practical credit should be given to Group Capt. Whittle for the fine performance and for the genius and energy that made it possible.

"Full information about this jet propulsion engine was disclosed in July, 1941, to the United States army air forces who, like the British R.A.F., and ministry of aircraft production, had the foresight to appreciate the tremendous possibilities of this new form of aircraft power unit. The U.S.A.A.F. at once asked for an engine to be sent to U.S.A., and the engine which had made the first flight was sent to the General Electric Company in September 1941.

Ninety Thousand Boy Scouts In Canada, Together With Girl Guides, Aiding National Cause

CANADIAN armies overseas are in the forefront of the battle for freedom, salvage armies on the home front are also on the move. Ready and willing to help any good cause, more than 90,000 Canadian Boy Scouts, assisted by the Canadian Girl Guides, are members of this great salvage army.

Since the beginning of the war, the boy scouts have collected thousands of tons of wastepaper, rags, bones, and metals. In some communities they were asked by Municipal authorities to assume the responsibility for local salvage campaigns. In larger centres of population they are assisting Salvage committees in their important wartime work; and in a number of smaller centres they have even initiated the salvage work themselves.

They don't stop at salvage, as important as this phase of endeavour is to Canada. They have given and are giving valuable help in war savings stamp and Red Cross campaigns, acting as messengers, telephone operators and others. The Red Cross has received much help from them. Different groups have distributed wool and collected completed garments and other items; they have assisted in Red Cross headquarters and shipping rooms and have even acted the role of janitors.

Some years ago, Canadian scouts undertook the collection of medicine bottles for use by military hospitals. The success of this venture is indicated by the fact that there were accumulated at least one year's supply. The scouts have also aided Britain by sending more than a ton of seeds and pounds of vegetable seeds to British boy scouts for use in British gardens.

When money is received through the sale of salvage and other items, in most cases it is turned over to the Red Cross, or to the Scouts' Beden-Powell Fund or War Fund for war sufferers in the Old Country.

Large numbers of Scouters, Rovers and ex-scouts are living up to their promise to do their duty to God and King, by enlisting in the various branches of Canada's armed services.

Canadian Girl Guides are organized along similar lines. They have not been behind their brother organization in contributions to the nation's effort. Many of the older members, the Guiders, have joined the army, navy and air forces.

The work of the Girl Guides has been varied. It has ranged from knitting small garments for the child blitz-victims, to taking air-raid dressing stations in A.R.P. activities. The girls have given valuable assistance by serving in day nurseries for the children of war workers, making large quantities of new clothing for the children in bombed areas of Britain, and in assisting in many phases of Red Cross work.

Their savings have been sent for the purchases of ambulances for overseas service, and for the building and equipping of recreational huts for members of the forces. At least 40 ambulances have been supplied, fully-equipped, for service on United Nations' battlefronts by the Girl Guides of the Dominion.

New Exposure Suit

Has Been Recommended For All Men Flying Over Water

A joint committee representing United States and Canadian air forces recommended adoption of a new light weight waterproof exposure suit for all men flying over water.

Tests conducted off Canada, the navy reported, demonstrate that the suits can protect their wearers "from the sometimes fatal shock of immersion in icy waters."

Volunteers from the Royal Canadian Air Force tested the suits. Fliers wearing regulation flying equipment plunged into icy waters. They had to be "rescued" almost immediately because of the cold. At the same time, men wearing the new type suits "were able to withstand the benumbing water and air for hours on end without complaint," the navy said.

Four Czech Fliers

Knew How To Outwit Germans And Escaped To Russia

London reports say four Czechoslovakia fliers who were "lent" to the Russian front by their puppet government, July 5, 1943, made up their minds not to fly for the Germans.

They recently delivered Hurricanes and three new Messerschmitts to the Red Army. In the interval, they said, they had failed bombing missions, dropping their loads into the sea, shot holes in each other's planes and returned to report downing Russian planes, although not. The four fliers said they smashed 27 German planes in landing.—War Information (British).

COSTLY ACCIDENT

When a platelayer dropped a shovel on a live rail on the Southern railway in Ewell, Eng., it caused several feet of rail to buckle up and a three hour delay on the London-Portsmouth line. 2580

Merits Confidence

The Trans-Canada Air Lines Laid Foundation For Dominion's Aviation Future

It is important to know that Canada is well aware of its strategic position in what has been called "the air world." The shortest routes between North America and Europe and Asia cross this Dominion. This gives us at once an opportunity and a responsibility and the Canadian government has begun to realize both. Some time ago, it set up an interdepartmental committee on international civil aviation which is making a thorough study of the whole question and which advises the government on procedure. The Trans-Canada Air Lines, too, is expanding all the time.—Montreal Star.

Trans-Canada has been designed as the instrument of the Canadian government in international air transport in addition to being given the responsibility of operating all the main line systems in Canada.

The record of the past year has definitely established the confidence the Canadian government has placed in Trans-Canada Air Lines has been fully justified. Though it is on a commercial basis, nor as part of its regular operation, T.C.A. actually began flying the Atlantic this past summer as a special contribution to wartime service. Passengers on urgent war business and tons of important cargoes, and mails for the troops overseas, have been carried in these aircraft operated by T.C.A. crews.

At home, in Canada, T.C.A. made only one route extension, the short one between Moncton and Victoria. Its main task was to carry on, improving and intensifying its service to the people of Canada. Trans-Canada now has routes totalling 4,903 miles, extending from St. John's, Newfoundland, to Victoria, between Canada's two oceans, carried in Toronto, London and Windsor, and between Lethbridge, Calgary and Edmonton. During the past year, the aircraft flew 4,187,000 revenue miles an increase of 1,014,870 revenue miles over 1942.

The volume of traffic in 1943 showed a considerable increase over the previous year. (Figures for the last three months are estimated.) Passengers carried showed a gain, increase of 36,554. Mail amounted to 3,990,000 pounds, an increase of 1,-591,168 pounds. Express weighed 840,000 pounds, an increase of 477,-163 pounds. This was more than double the amount carried in 1942.

At its engineering and maintenance base at Winnipeg, Trans-Canada continued not only to keep its own aircraft in efficient flying trim, but to carry on research and to accomplish a considerable volume of overhaul work for military aircraft. At Montreal, it continued its co-operation with the British Overseas Airways Corporation in the maintenance of aircraft in the trans-Atlantic return ferry service.

Trans-Canada merits the confidence of the government and of the people at large. In its air line operation, it has shown itself to be a dependable and valuable servant and it has laid the foundations for Canada's aviation future.

Scientific Food

Rations For Australian Fighting Line More Like Christmas Hamper

No longer will bully beef and hard biscuits be the staple diet of Australian forces in the fighting line. They are being replaced by a compact "operation ration" described as more like a Christmas hamper than an army ration.

The new ration, result of long research and experiment by dietitians, contains meat and vegetable stew, biscuits, a stick of caramel, sugar and tea, milk powder, peanut butter and salt. Other items such as cheese and candy are included in the second and third issues during the day. It will be issued men in forward areas when operations prevent normal hot meals from being sent.

HIS MAIDEN SPEECH

An old member of the Senate was approached by a new member who had just made his maiden speech. On being asked if he approved of it, he answered judicially:

"You said many good things, and many new things."

"Thank you," said the new Senator.

"But," continued the veteran Senator, "the good things were not new and the new things were not good."

ESSENTIAL VITAMINS

No food possesses all of the four essential vitamins, A, B, C, and D, but eggs contain three of them—A, B and D, the growth vitamins in abundance, and B, the yeast vitamin in moderate quantities.

Any Rags Today?

From the salvage of rubber tires and tubes, worn out hot water bottles, etc., Canadians have turned to the salvage of rags. Rags, especially cotton, have become a high priority item on the lists at Voluntary Scrap Depots throughout the Dominion. Rags have a hundred and one uses in war and civilian industry. In the picture above, an expert rag sorter is playing her part in the nation's war effort. Her job is to divide salvaged rags into the dozens of classifications according to quality, use and colour.

A New Method

Chicago University Will Use Records To Teach Foreign Languages

The time required to learn a foreign language will be cut in half by the use of recordings, foreign language authorities at Northwestern University believe.

Edwin R. Place, chairman of the foreign-language department, said the school's new method of instruction minimizes the use of the text book and utilizes recordings played on special phonograph.

"Usually it takes as long as two years to teach a student an elementary speaking ability," he said. "We expect the use of this method to cut the time down to one year."

Whistler's "Portrait of the Artist's Mother" was rejected at first for exhibition at the Royal Academy and remained unsold for 20 years.

Germans Selling Out

Trying To Get Rid Of Property They Acquired In France

Germans who acquired property in France after the collapse are selling out. In many cases these properties are being offered at a considerable loss to the German owners.

The Nazi authorities are trying to prevent this sell-out, because of the effect it is having in strengthening French optimism regarding an early termination of the war and departure of the Germans. Requests have been sent to all agents to discourage prospective sellers on the ground that property values will increase at the end of the war. The German owners are now selling out privately.—London Daily Sketch.

Camels have carried 250-pound loads during the war through a distance of 600 miles in four days.

Oil Products

Farms In Canada Now Producing Oil Bearing Seed Crops

Oil to keep the engines of Canadian ships running smoothly was produced this year on Canadian farms.

Rape seed oil is used chiefly in compounding high grade marine engine lubricants. Rape was grown as a commercial crop as a war measure for the first time this year. The yield of the seed is expected to exceed 2,500,000 pounds. About 4,000 acres were seeded, although the product of 10,000 acres could be used by the Royal Canadian navy.

Flaxseed oil has industrial uses in paints, linoleums and other products. It is also indispensible in munitions manufacturing. All shells and bombs are coated in oil, and the flaxseed oil which the Dominion has developed is equal to any in the world. This year close to 18,000,000 bushels of seeds are expected from 2,708,000 acres, compared, with last 286,000 acres sown four years ago, and 1,-492,000 a year ago.

Sunflower oil is one of the finest edible vegetable oils. It is used widely in the manufacture of shortening. Thirty thousand acres were planted with sunflowers for seed in the Dominion this year, whereas there was no such production in 1939.

As a result of the close co-operation of Canada's scientists and farmers in developing varieties of oil-bearing seed crops suited to the particular climate and soil of this country, the Dominion is now able to produce domestically, vegetable oils equal in quality to those which were imported.

Crop Values

Estimated Value Of Principal Field Crops In 1943

Canadian farmers produced principal field crops to an estimated value of $1,100 millions in 1943, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimates. A little below last year's record, this value is still relatively high in competition with pre-war years. A decline is due to sharp reduction in volume, particularly wheat in the Prairies and all grains in Ontario and in Quebec. Better prices, however, at least partially offset decline in yields, average farm price for wheat rising from 69c. to $1.02 as an example.

MUST HURT THEM

The Brockville Recorder and Times says it must gall the Germans with all their lofty ideas about Aryan superiority to be bombed by the British Indian troops fighting in Italy. They have probably discovered that these fellows know how to fight from better than they do.

Wood Saves Coal For C.P.R.

Stationary boilers designed to burn sawdust, mill refuse and old timber will save the Canadian Pacific Railway close to 10,000 tons of coal in western Canada during the year. At the company's huge Ogden shop in Calgary, and Weston shop, in Winnipeg, and at smaller shops and roundhouses elsewhere in the west wood is being effectively used in connection with coal-fired boilers. Sectionmen gathered up old bridge timbers and ties and this refuse, along with mill refuse such as shavings, sawdust and board-ends, feed the wood-burning fire. At top, photo shows a boxcar discarding its load of ties and timbers collected along the right-of-way. Below, workmen are feeding sections of ties into a pair of wood-fired boilers at Calgary's Weston shop. The sparks are fed by conveyors bringing mill refuse directly into the fireboxes from the adjacent planing mill of the company. Similar installations at Weston shop in Winnipeg provide an efficient auxiliary plant.

—Canadian Pacific Photos

Women In Russia Have Been An Important Factor In The Prosecution Of War Work

DURING four years of war, Canadian women, flocking to war industry and engaged in voluntary work, have contributed to the success of the Dominion's war programme. Women in Russia have been likewise increased of by Canadians and are one of the important factors in the incomparable performance of Russia on the world's fiercest battle grounds.

Russians have their own unique system of replacing male workers with women. The husband, brother or father leaves his wife, sister or daughter his own particular factory job. This is usually accomplished in a one to two month period of apprenticeship before he joins his regiment. Russian authorities say that this scheme has worked with exceptional results in literally millions of positions. The theory behind the programme is that the wife, sister or daughter is now really working for her own family and not from an abstract—patriotic motive. She is actually releasing her own man for active service.

In many sections of the Union, women have taken over complete branches of all-male jobs. In Canada, too, women are engaged in various positions on the railways, but as yet have not been engaged in actual driving of engines, etc.

Russian women are doing every kind of task performed by their men folk from the most highly skilled to the heaviest manual labour. Some 60,000 women are working in the Russian mines. Reports say that 30,000 are serving as sailors on the Russian ships, throughout the lakes, rivers, and even in the Arctic ocean.

More than half the army doctors of Russia are women. At first, women doctors took over from the physicians and surgeons who had to leave their posts in the cities and towns for duty on the battlefronts. But now the women doctors are steadily advancing to the roles of battalion officers and are serving with field ambulance units in the forefront of the Russian advance.

Early in the struggle, Russia set up a mere rudimentary system. This was made necessary to offset the food shortages which were occasioned by the loss to Nazi-Germany of about 40 per cent. of the country's agricultural resources.

According to available information, stamps are required for the purchase almost every food, including the staples, bread and cereals. For rationing purposes, citizens are divided into different groups of the manual workers, college students and [illegible]

The state requisitions enough food to meet the ration and this food is sold at a controlled price—very low—plus may be sold in the open market and is not subject to price control.

Future Of Aviation

Successful Long Distance Flights Have Reached The Routine Stage

Any hard-to-convince persons who are still doubtful that aviation will be a big factor in the transport of passengers and express in the immediate postwar period would do well to ponder over an announcement by the Canadian government. According to the announcement the 10,000th crossing of the Atlantic has been completed by planes of the command.

Ten thousand trips across the Atlantic means a lot of miles and a great deal of experience in long distance flying. It is obvious that successful long distance flights have reached the routine stage.

It is well to bear in mind that Winnipeg is at the crossroads of the best routes to Europe and Asia—that is if we are not asleep at the switch in the matter of airports and let the crossroads move elsewhere.—Winnipeg Tribune.

Courageous Action

U.S. Flier Kept Striking The Enemy Until He Sank In The Sea

The United States war department revealed the story of courageous Staff Sergeant Ben F. Colecott, a tail gunner who continued firing at striking enemy Zeros from the vicinity of his bomber, until it disappeared in the ocean.

Witnesses on the Sept. 11 Parasite-Buin raid on the bombing mission brought back the word.

The four-engine bomber was attacked simultaneously by two Zeros and crashed. Then in the confusion of the tail section of the sinking plane broke away from the rest of the wreckage and remained afloat momentarily. Sgt. Colecott, sitted in that tail, continued a steady stream of fire at Japanese striking planes until the compartment went out of sight.

He is listed as "missing in action." The air medal has been awarded him.

THE PERFECT HEN

Joseph Procter of Preston, England, has been experimenting with poultry for nine years to produce a new bird that would be a perfect layer and also a good table bird. He claims to have it in the Red Wyandotte. It lays an egg every day for 87 days in a laying trial.

Buy War Savings Stamps Regularly.

Awarded George Cross

Young Canadian Student Pilot Gave Life in Heroic Act

The King has awarded the George Cross, a decoration second only to the Victoria Cross, posthumously to Leading Aircraftman Kenneth G. Spooner, of Smith's Falls, Ont.

Spooner was on a training flight when he found death and glory. He was acting as a student navigator, but never had flown an airplane in the flight the pilot collapsed. Prone to the controls, and the machine began to lose height rapidly. Spooner "with extreme courage and coolness assumed charge." He took over the controls, the pilot being unconscious, and ordered the three other members of the crew to jump. They followed orders and landed safely with their parachutes. Spooner then attempted to land the machine with the helpless pilot, but the plane crashed and both were killed.

Obviously Spooner could have saved his own life by jumping with the others had he been willing to leave the unconscious pilot to his fate. He chose instead, and without the least hesitation, to risk his own life in an effort to save his pilot. With cool, deliberate courage he took the long chance that he could land a big aircraft, in so desperate an emergency, the first time he had been at the controls of a plane.

The official citation speaks of Spooner's "great courage, resolution and unselfishness in the face of harassing circumstances." Here was not the heat and passion of battle and its call to great deeds, but a prosaic training flight over a peaceful countryside, into which harsh tragedy suddenly thrust itself. LAC. Spooner's instinctive reaction showed an utter contempt for personal danger or death itself—calm and unafraid he made his choice and chose his path. Never was the George Cross more worthily bestowed than on this heroic young Canadian — Ottawa Journal.

New Combination

Here's your old favorite . . . easy pineapple crochet in the tail of a glorious peacock to protect your upholstery. The bird himself is embroidered on cloth. It's a new, novel and easy-to-do idea for a chair set. A smart gift! Pattern 7670 contains a transfer pattern of peacock bodice; directions for crochet; list of materials needed; stitches.

To obtain this pattern send twenty cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 176 McDermot Avenue E., Winnipeg, Man. Be sure to write plainly your Name, Address and Pattern Number. Please allow two weeks for the mails delivery of our patterns may take a few days longer than usual.

CANDID OPINION

Sir John Millais, famous, artist, once told this story at a Royal Academy banquet, at which he was praising. He was engaged on a landscape in the country when a rustic approached and stared at him for a long time. Then the rustic said, "Boy tried yer hand at forgraphy?"

"No," said Millais shortly.

"It's quicker," urged the rustic, "and much more like!"

LARGEST EVER KNOWN

More than 7,000 ships of all kinds and sizes were engaged in the Anglo-American attack upon Sicily, the greatest seaborne operation of all time. In the initial assault 100,000 men, 14,000 vehicles, 600 tanks and 1,800 guns were transported.

MISERIES OF
Baby's Cold Relieved As He Sleeps

Now . . . here's reliable home-proved medication that works 2 ways at once to relieve distress of child's cold—even while he sleeps!

Just rub throat, chest and back with Vicks VapoRub and, at once, instantly VapoRub starts to relieve coughing spasms, ease muscular soreness or tightness, and invite restful, comforting sleep. Often by morning, most of the misery is gone.

For baby's sake, try VapoRub tonight. It must be good, because when colds strike, most mothers use Vicks VapoRub.

Tea Car Report

Excellent Service Provided To Men Overseas By Y.M.C.A.

Tpr. T. T. Montgomery, of Minnedosa, Manitoba, has been seconded by his regiment to drive Tea Car No. 1053 of the Canadian Y.M.C.A. War Services overseas. Among the groups served in October, were the 12th Manitoba Dragoon, and additional units drawn from many parts of Western Canada.

Reporting for the Tea Car Operations for the month, Tpr. Montgomery says:

"Our month's interesting experiences centred around our work on the ranges overlooking the North Sea, and our participation in 'schemes'. The four day scheme we were on was possibly the best service we have been able to contribute to date. We got around to the whole regiment at least twice, selling a fresh stock of Canadian chocolate bars, peanuts, gum, and dispensing free both tea and biscuits. I have never seen anything so much appreciated. The weather was typical of the North Sea, damp, foggy, chilly and much rain. One officer remarked: 'The Tea Wagon is certainly a great morale builder'."

Tpr. Montgomery reports that during the month of October he served a total of 3210 men, travelled 621 miles, gave out free 34 lbs. of biscuits, and dispensed free over 225 gallons of tea.

Look Cheerful!

Look cheerful as the fire crackling on your hearth in this becoming, deep-yoked frock. Pattern 4589 takes no time to put together, as a glance at the diagram should prove. Make it with contrasting trimming or in one fabric.

Pattern 4589 comes in misses' and women's sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42. Size 16 takes 2¾ yards 35-inch fabric and ⅝ yard contrast.

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A LONG JOURNEY

A Pronorarian named Pete is reported to have made his way from Norfolk, Virginia, to Patchogue, Long Island, a distance of 400 miles, in a little more than three weeks. A big tale for such a little dog.—New York Sun.

APPLIED ASTRONOMY

"Yale astronomers have determined that the earth's surface rises and falls at intervals." We noted the phenomenon last night, when a slippery sidewalk rose up and smote us from the rear.—Ottawa Citizen.

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

"Four Flats"

By YVONNE WERNETTE

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

"Pretty swell car, huh, honey?"

"It's grand, Fred." Laurel leaned close to make herself heard above the clatter of the engine and the rattle of loose fenders. "It's swell driving slowly through the country like this."

"We couldn't hurry if we wanted to. Hot, honey?"

"Sort of, but we're getting a nice tan."

"Sunburn would be a better word. I should have bought a roadster with a top."

"Oh, I like it this way. It looks so sporty."

"You're a swell wife." Fred's right arm drove her closer to him. "When I get a job we'll buy a top for the car. Hungry?"

"No, are you?"

"Nope." Fred knew she was lying. She was hungry and so was he. Finding a job wasn't as easy as he had thought it would be, and their money was dwindling at an alarming rate.

"Fred, there's a car stalled up ahead."

"I'll see if we can help." As they pulled up they were surprised to see an elderly and obviously very angry gentleman smashing the windows with a heavy monkey wrench. The car had four flats.

"Can I help you, mister?" Fred offered hopefully.

"Help!" bellowed the man. "You can have it!" And he strode angrily up the road muttering, "Tacks! My tires tacked!"

Fred and Laurel watched him in amazement. "Whew, what a temper that guy has! Wonder what he meant by the tacks?"

"Tacks—flat tires. They're a natural combination."

Back of the car heavy roofing tacks were scattered over the road in the ditch they found the smashed keg almost hidden in the grass. "Somebody sure does hate this from a truck." Fred rolled it over. "Here's a name—John L. Banghart, Carterville."

"Then that's Mr. Banghart's car."

"No, this is just the name of the dealer where the tacks were bought."

"But the name fits him," Laurel insisted. "Look in the car. It's the name ought to be on his license."

The license carried the name: John L. Banghart, Carterville.

"He'll feel awful when he cools off and remembers he smashed all these windows. What a mess!"

"Yeah. It's a mess, all right, too. Look, he left the keys. Do you suppose he meant it when he said we could have it?"

"Of course not, silly."

"I have an idea. I'll patch those tires. We'll take the car to Carterville and we'll get up for our work. Then we'll celebrate with a real dinner this evening!"

Fred set to work eagerly, but it was late afternoon when he finished. He mopped the perspiration from his face and sank limply on to the running board.

"Well, honey, we're all set. I'll drive the terrible tempered Mr. Banghart's car into town. You can follow one in ours. Will he be surprised!"

But they found Mr. Banghart in the same violent state in which they had left him. "What do you mean by driving my car without my permission?" Get out! Get out before I have you arrested," he said.

Fred and Laurel taken aback to answer. But before he climbed into his own car he summoned courage to ask a question. "Mr. Banghart, I'm looking for a job. Do you know where I can find one around Carterville?"

"No! No jobs around here." The door was slammed with shattering force.

"Whew!" Laurel gasped. "What an awful man!"

"Yeah!" Fred agreed mournfully. They drove slowly down the main highway. "I could go for a good dinner and have a hamburger," said Fred without enthusiasm. He had lost his appetite.

They were perhaps ten miles when the wail of a siren came from the rear. A state policeman. Fred stopped the car. "Now what have we done?" he muttered.

"But, officer, I wasn't speeding."

"You're under arrest for stealing a valuable package out of John L. Banghart's car."

Fred tried to protest.

"Come on, now. Turn around and head for Carterville. It'll be right behind you."

Back in Carterville the policeman ordered them to go to Banghart's house. In the dusty parlor Fred protested breathlessly. "Honest, Mr. Banghart, we didn't take your package."

"Of course not!" Banghart snapped. "There was no package. I wanted you back. You said you were looking for a job, didn't you?"

"Yes."

Mr. Banghart turned to Laurel. "Can you cook?"

"Why—uh, yes" Laurel stammered.

"You bet she can cook!" Fred stated emphatically.

WHEN NERVOUS TROUBLES MAKE ME "SHAKEY" I FIND DR. MILES NERVINE HELPS TO RELIEVE NERVOUS TENSION AND CALM JITTERY FEELINGS.

There's plenty these days to make people nervous. Sometimes those nerves can turn nights and days into misery. If you suffer in this way, try the soothing, quieting effect of Dr. Miles Nervine which contains well-known nerve sedatives. Take Nervine according to directions for nervous jitteriness, sleeplessness, hysterical conditions, nervous fears, also to help headache and irritability due to nervousness. In the meantime, eat more natural, body-building vitamins and get plenty sufficient rest. Effervescing Nervine Tablets are 35c and 75c. Nervine Liquid: 25c and $1.00.

"You're both hired," Mr. Banghart announced.

Fred and Laurel stared at him with open mouths. Mr. Banghart's sour countenance softened.

"I need a woman's business and I need a sensible young man to help me. I fired the last one because he lost a keg of roofing tacks off the truck and he didn't pick them up in our tires. I've lived alone in this house since my wife died. Haven't been able to find a cook who can make an omelet the way I like it. Bring in your things! You're both staying here from now on—if you can put up with a hard tempered old man."

"You bet we can! Er—I mean—thanks a lot, Mr. Banghart!"

Mr. Banghart actually smiled.

Handy In Arctic

Refrigerators Keep Food At Right Temperature The Year Round

Eskimos have chuckled at many of the contraptions brought to eastern Arctic trading posts by white men, but they let out hearty guffaws when wives of the white men began to import refrigerators for their frame houses.

Now their laughter has subsided. Maj. D. L. McKeand, superintendent of the eastern Arctic, said. Even in the Arctic where the temperature seldom stays high long enough for anything to turn sour, refrigerators are handy.

The white trader found his enemy wasn't heat but cold, which froze valuable foodstuffs unless they were placed outdoors to prevent fermentation.

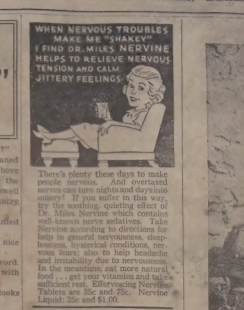
Partly-used cans of milk, vegetables or fruit soon froze solid and had lost their flavor when thawed out. It led to some cases of food poisoning and waste. With the refrigerators, food is kept at the right temperature the year around.

WOULD BE SATISFACTION

Henry M. Spelman, Jr., chief of the leather products and shoe section of the U.S. Office of Civilian Requirements, predicts that old tire carcasses will be used for shoe soles. Probably many pedestrians will be glad to walk on remnants of used autos which tried so hard to run over them.—Buffalo Courier-Express.

Buy War Savings Stamps Regularly.

Canadian Soldier On Guard



A hole blasted in a hill-top wall in Italy gives this Canadian, Pte. M. D. White, of Grassland, Alta., a vantage point from which to observe any enemy movements while men of his unit move into a new position.

—Canadian Army Overseas Photo.

People Are Terrified

Germans Believe Occupied Countries Will Take Terrible Revenge

Neutrals with good sources in the Reich contend that the Allies will have a hard job overcoming the deeply instilled German fear of defeat. Goebbels has terrified the people with warnings of the revenge of the Red Army and the occupied countries. Many are already trying to save themselves by being decent to war prisoners and slave laborers, often going so far as to aid them in escaping. Nevertheless, Germans are showing resentment against the Nazis, particularly against young officials holding down soft, home-front jobs, and the German press is under orders is trying to stem it. A typical quote from a Stuttgart paper: "The question of deferred occupations is dealt with today with . . . incompatible severity. Men . . . in brown uniforms . . . are remaining in the homeland only because their male occupation . . . is essential to the war."—Newsweek.

Western Wheat

Average Protein Content Of 1943 Wheat Shows Way Higher

The average protein content of the 1943 crop of western Canadian hard red spring wheat is 13.3 per cent, the board of grain commissioners' laboratory reported in Winnipeg in a final estimate.

This figure is 0.7 per cent. higher than the corresponding figure for 1942 and 0.2 per cent. lower than the average in each of the last 11 years.

The survey was made on analyses of 5,645 samples grading 1, 2, 3 and 4 Northern.

By provinces, with 1942 figures in brackets: Manitoba 13.1 (13.0); Saskatchewan 13.8 (12.9) and Alberta 13.1 (12.4) per cent.

Praise For Canada

Britain Appreciates What Farmers Have Done In Supplying Bacon

Describing himself as "one of the boys in the back room of the British Ministry of Food since 1939," John Maud, C.B.E., Secretary to the Ministry, told the Dominion-Provincial Agricultural Conference how he and his colleagues appreciate the part Canadian farmers are playing in providing Britain with bacon.

With the collapse of the Low Countries in 1940 and the consequent loss of bacon supplies from across the channel, there was no possible alternative to obtaining bacon from Canada if Britain were to continue fighting. "A miracle had to happen if the British Ministry of Food were to keep people fed, and we of the British Ministry appreciate the part the people of Canada have played in making possible this miracle. We shan't forget," said Mr. Maud.

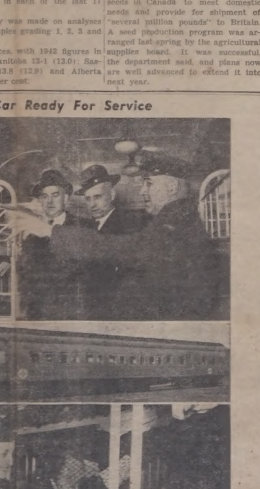
"Breakfast is the one meal in the day that is rather unsatisfactory," he said. "For most of us it consists of tea, toast with little margarine to spread on the toast and less marmalade to spread on the margarine. Then there is porridge which, because of the milk shortage, is rather thin. Did we not have the four-ounce bacon ration, it would be impossible for us to have even the one cooked breakfast to which we look forward every week."

GOOD SUPPLY OF SEEDS

The agriculture department said that there now are adequate supplies of most varieties of vegetable seeds in Canada to meet domestic needs and provide for shipment of "several pillion pounds" to Britain. A seed production program was arranged last spring by the agricultural supplies board. It was successful, the department said, and plans now are well advanced to extend it into next year.

New Hospital Car Ready For Service

The third Canadian National Railways hospital car, which has just been completed in the company's shops, includes a number of important improvements over the previous types of car in use in Canada. This car, like the others, was developed by officers of the railway's medical and mechanical departments in cooperation with the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps. It embodies are of continuous construction and interlock." One bed pot serves two beds effecting rigidity of design as well as a saving in material. Each is equipped with an individual bed lamp with adjustable reflector shade, safe tray and an extension call bell. Upper beds are equipped with drop-down safety guards made of the same material as the bed instead of the usual fabric. The interior color scheme now corresponds with that of modern medical institutions, a sea green for the walls, with a white ceiling and brown battleship linoleum for the floor. Other improvements have been made in the ventilating system, and the diet kitchen and dispensary. The car, like two previous C.N.R. hospital cars is of all steel construction and is specially designed for smooth riding com-



fort. The upper photo shows an photo taken in one of the earlier type of cars which was included officer of the R.C.A.M.C. inspecting the new car accompanied by carrying Canadian wounded from Dr. R. E. Dyde, chief medical Halifax where they were disembarked from the hospital ship officer, and E. R. Battley, chief Lady Nelson, formerly flagship of motive power and car equip- of the Canadian National Steamment. In the centre, an exterior ships.

view of the new car, and, below,

Health League presents Topics of Canada of Vital Interest

JUNIOR NURSING AIDES

A Junior Nursing Aides Corps, to provide for adolescent Canadian girls an opportunity for patriotic service which is now denied many of them, would fill the bill so far as 17-year-old Thelma Parker, of London, Ont., is concerned.

The Women's Division of the Health League of Canada is studying the possibilities of establishing such a corps under official auspices or through some voluntary organizations. Thelma Parker read about it in the newspapers, and has a letter she wrote Mrs. J. H. Harris, president of the women's division, who proposed the project.

"I am a girl seventeen years of age, strong and healthy and ready to do my bit to help win the war, but, like you say, we haven't been given the chance and we will show you that the Junior Miss is not only strong, but patriotic, and willing to do her bit.

"Nursing is near to every girl's heart or at least fifty per cent. I myself have always wanted to be a nurse, but due to circumstances beyond my control I will never have that chance.

"I could your help more than even you realize; the strain of every day things and the feeling that you could be doing more is very depressing.

"Again I say, give us the chance and we will do a job that will make those fighting on the front know that we are behind them.

"I could go on for pages but I know your time is valuable.

"Good ideas are what you find grace and courage to carry on this great undertaking.

"Gratefully yours,

Thelma Parker."

A High Ideal

Chicago Paper's Remark About United Nations' Leaders Really A Compliment

The Niagara Falls Review says: The Chicago Tribune sturdily refers to President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and other Allied leaders as "the Boy Scouts at Cairo." E. M. Harrison, Scout Executive Senior Star, notes, a Scouts' oath calls upon him to do his duty to God and his country, to obey the Scout law —try to improve on that law if you can—to help other people at all times and to keep himself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight. What higher ideal could there be for a man to shoot at?

SELECTED RECIPES

ORANGE CAKE

¼ cup shortening
¼ cup butter
½ cup brown sugar
¼ cup Brown Brand Corn Syrup
2 eggs, separated
1 cup raisins
1 orange, grated rind of orange (put through food chopper)
2 cups sifted pastry or cake flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ cup sour milk

Cream shortening and butter; blend in brown sugar and ¼ cup of the corn syrup. Add beaten egg yolks; beat well, then add orange-raisin mixture and blend. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with sour milk. Beat egg whites stiff but not dry and gradually beat into them the remaining ¼ cup of corn syrup. Fold lightly into batter and turn into two 9" greased layer cake pans; bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 35 minutes. When cool, put together with Orange Filling and top with any desired icing. OR—Bake the cake in a greased pan 8" x 12" in a 350 degree F. oven for 50 to 60 minutes. While still warm top with grated orange rind or dust lightly with icing sugar.

Lemon Or Orange Filling

2½ tablespoons Benson's or Canada Corn Starch
½ cup sugar
¼ cup Crown Brand Corn Syrup
¼ teaspoon salt
¾ cup boiling water
1 egg, slightly beaten
3 tablespoons lemon or orange juice
1 teaspoon grated lemon or orange rind
1 tablespoon butter

Mix together corn starch, sugar, corn syrup and salt in top part of double boiler. Add boiling water and blend with rotary beater. Cover and cook over boiling water, stirring frequently, until mixture is clear and smooth (12 to 15 minutes); stirring frequently. Beat egg slightly; add lemon or orange juice and rind; add to hot mixture. Cook until thick, stirring constantly. Cook slightly longer, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and add butter; beat until cream. Cool slightly before putting between layers of cake.

CAME FROM PERU

According to the News Bulletin of the National Geographic Society, quinine was used by the people of South America. It seems that there are 700,000 "forgotten" quinine-bearing acres in Colombia. The quinine prescribed by doctors is not native to the Netherlands Indies, the pre-war sources of supply, but a tonic called left over from "door-step" less than a century ago when seeds were carried abroad from parent trees in Peru.

Here's Speedy Relief For Tender, Aching, Burning Feet

Your feet may be so swollen and inflamed that you think you can't go another step. Your shoes may feel as if they are made of sandpaper. You feel sick all over with the pain and torture; you'd give anything to get relief.

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Alaska Highway

The Distance Cut Down By Elimination Of Curves

Official distance of the Alaska highway from Dawson Creek, B.C., its southern terminus, to Fairbanks, is 1,523 miles, Col. K. B. Bush, chief of staff of the United States northwest service command, said. The total slices more than 100 miles off the old figure of 1,630 miles.

"The reduction in distance was accomplished," Col. Bush said, "through the construction of necessary cut-offs, fills and tangents and the elimination of dangerous curves during the summer and fall of this year."

Of the 1,523-mile total, 620 miles are in British Columbia, 580 in the Yukon Territory and 323 miles in Alaska.

The road crosses into the Yukon Territory from British Columbia near the historic old Hudson's Bay Store of Lower Post.

Whitehorse is 918 miles from Dawson Creek.

Ravages Of War

Canadian Troops In Sicily Saved Precious Treasures From Destruction

It was not Canadian troops who aggravated the ravages of war in Sicily. On the contrary, it was General Montgomery's wish that pillaged and devastated areas before the advancing Allies put an end to their work of destruction. The Canadian soldiers carefully obeyed commands and churches in their operations against the fleeing Nazis. They now have a satisfying pride that they saved precious treasures, principally at Palermo and Syracuse. Old temples, the amphitheatre of Agrigento, the Greek and Roman ruins of Segesta, the old residences of the Thirteenth Century, cathedrals and palaces remained intact, thanks to the vigilance of the Allied leaders and the exemplary conduct of our troops.—Le Soleil, Quebec.

SMILE AWHILE

"Should I marry a girl who can take a joke?"

"That's the only kind you'll get."

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Smith—"So you're setting your boy up in the bakery business?"

Jones—"Yes, he's so keen on dough and such a swell lonfer that I'm sure he'll rise in the business."

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"What are you doing in the pantry, Ronnie?"

"Fighting temptation, mother."

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"Did you say that any incompetent man could run a hotel?"

"No. I said that any inn experienced man could."

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"Well, I'll be going now. Don't trouble to see me to the door."

"No trouble at all. It's a pleasure."

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Floorwalker: "That customer was hanging around for a long time. What did he want to see?"

Pretty Assistant (coyly): "Me, sir."

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Father—So you love my daughter?

Suitor—Love her? Why, I would die for her. For one soft glance from her sweet eyes I would hurl myself off a lofty cliff—glad of the chance to sacrifice myself in her name.

Father—Well, I forbid the marriage. I'm something of a liar myself and one is enough in a small family like ours.

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"Answer me, Clara," he said in a moment of passion. "I can bear this suspense no longer."

"Answer him, Clara," echoed the old man in the hall, thinking of the light and coal bills, "I can bear this expense no longer."

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"Do you know that your wife is going about telling everybody that you can't keep her in clothes?"

"That's nothing. I bought her a home and I can't keep her in that either."

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Grasshopper green is to be the fashionable color in wool this spring.

The very thing for jumpers.

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"Is this the pugilist who was run in by a motorist?", asked the house surgeon.

"No; he's the motorist who ran into the pugilist."

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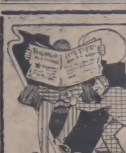
"Men are only grown-up boys," says a woman novelist.

Only the child who used to take the clock to pieces to see how it works, now does the same to his car to see why it doesn't. 2546



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The Government Liquor Control Act of Alberta

Application for Beer License

Public Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply to The Alberta Liquor Control Board for a license to sell Beer by the glass or open bottle, for consumption on the licensed portion of the premises, and also to sell Beer by the unopened bottle for consumption elsewhere than upon the licensed premises, in conformity with the provisions of The Government Liquor Control Act of Alberta and the Regulations made thereunder, with respect to the following described premises:

Beer Saloon room in the north-east corner of the ground floor of the Queen's Hotel, situated on Lots 1, 2 and 3, in Block 1, Plan "D" (Updated 546 A.Y.), Delia, Alberta.

Dated at Delia, Alberta, this 15th day of January, 1944.

L. BANNERMAN, Applicant.

Local Grain Prices.

Delia, Alberta Pool Elevators

Wednesday, Jan. 19, 1944.

Oats—	
2 C.W.	49½
Ex. 3 C.W.	48½
3 C.W.	48½
Ex. 1 feed	48½
1 feed	48½
2 feed	48½
3 feed	48½
Barley—	
No. 3 C.W. Grow	62¾
No. 3 C.W. 6 Row	62¾
1 feed	61¾
2 feed	61¾
3 feed	58¾
Rye—	
2 C.W.	1.03½
3 C.W.	98½
4 C.W.	89½

Dominion Wheat Board Prices

No. 1 Northern	1.08
No. 2 Northern	1.05
No. 3 Northern	1.03
No. 4 Northern	.98
No. 5 Wheat	.93
No. 6 Wheat	.89
Feed Wheat	.87

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Changes of advertising must reach this office not later than noon each Tuesday to insure insertion in the following issue.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 1944

CANADA AND EUROPEAN REFUGEES

There is much agitation now that Canada should open her gates or do much more for European refugees, particularly in view of what other countries have done and are doing to help these unfortunate people. In fact, it is pointed out that the United States alone has been reported to have allowed to enter into that country no less than about 580,000 European refugees since the troubles started in Europe, and Canada's great English-speaking neighbour has indicated complete readiness to keep the gates of that country open for many more such arrivals. Great Britain has admitted over 60,000 refugees since May of 1940, and she has shown her willingness to help as much as possible. Likewise, reports have shown that neutral countries have taken in or passed a great many refugees, such as Spain, 30,000; Switzerland, 60,000, and so forth. Therefore, it is generally expected that this problem of European refugees is likely to be raised in the next session of Parliament at Ottawa, though it is stressed in some quarters that any Canadian solution of this problem of European refugees must consider the universal character of such as common to all United Nations, the question of Canada's future immigration policy, and the difficulties and transportation.

THE HOME FRONT

Reports from the war front suggest that while our men know what they're fighting *against*, there is some confusion as to what they're fighting *for*. However inarticulate their war aims may be, nine out of ten agree that one thing they are fighting for is their homes. What the average soldier wants most of all is to get it over with and come home.

Canadian boys are sacrificing for their homes. But meanwhile what is happening to their homes? The womenfolk they left behind are being called from the fireside to the factories, to various war organizations, and to the Armed Services. Under these circumstances it becomes increasingly difficult to "keep the home fires burning."

A High School boy writes: "Our home is greatly disrupted by the war. Before, I used to have all my meals at home. Now I only eat supper at home, and then sometimes I won't eat if I have to get it myself. It has become an overnight stopping place. Our home has practically dwindled away."

This year's offensives overseas must be matched by an offensive at home to win the kind of home front the men are fighting for:

Sound Homes, Teamwork in Industry, A United Nation.

Homes are the home if they become just "an overnight stopping place." The real Canadian home from the pioneer days has been a place where the family draws strength from its unity and mutual caring.

A woman who works in a bomber factory on the day shift, says: "The unity we build at home is the only pattern for unity in our department at the plant."

Housewives, whatever their occupation, can fight side by side with the women next door and the men at the front to protect Canadian home life. Home making cannot be regarded as a non-priority activity. It is the heartbeat of democracy.

—Pull Together Canada Press Service.

Local and District

Cpl. R. Stoness, of the R.C.A.F., is home on furlough for a week.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cook, of Castor, visited friends in Delia over the week end.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Smythe, and Mrs. W. B. Dunlop, were visitors to Calgary this week.

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Misses Joan Price and Joyce Rowe were visitors to Hanna on Tuesday evg. of last week.

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Lester Battle, of the R.C.A.F., was home visiting his wife and family over the week end.

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Miss D. A. Reishus, of Edmonton, was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dmytruk were visitors to Calgary by train the beginning of this week, returning on Tuesday night.

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Mrs. Martin Julson is at present a patient in the Holy Cross Hospital, Calgary, where she has been for some time.

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Lac. Byron G. Moore spent the holiday season at his home, and now has returned to his unit, the I.F.T.S.

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Lacs. Andrew Dmytruk and Art Shultz of the R.C.A.F., were on week end furlough in Delia last week.

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Pte. Leonard MacFarlane, of the Canadian Army (Active), was home on furlough over the week end.

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Mrs. F. W. Benson and Mrs. J. B. McCully spent the week end at Hanna, as guests of Mrs. A. C. McCully.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Smythe, of Craigmyle, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dunlop over the week end.

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There was a truly happy Christmas at the home of W. J. Tabor. His eldest son, William Maurice Tabor, and his wife were home from Kelso, Wash. This was Maurice's first Christmas at home for 21 years. They are returning to Kelso about the last of January.

Miss Norma McEwen, who is teaching near Rocky Mountain House, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. McEwen.

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D. D. Stevens, principal of the Delia Public School, is at present a patient in Drumheller hospital. Mrs. K. Kempf is substituting in his stead.

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Constable Everett R. Moore, of the R.C.M.P., at Yorkton, Sask., spent a two weeks' holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moore.

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The weather during the past week has been generally mild and fair, with temperatures at beginning of this week about 45 above. At present it appears dull, and portends snow.

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Cpl. Reta M. Long, of Delia, a member of the Canadian Women's Army Corps, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant, headquarters of Military District No. 13 at Calgary has just announced. Sgt. Long, who enlisted in September, 1942, is serving with No. 33 Company of the Canadian Dental Corps.

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A meeting of the Fifth Victory Loan canvassers was held in the Town Hall, Delia, on Thursday evg. last. There was a good attendance. Mr. Wm. Gibson, the chairman, reported on the success of the Loan, and gave a summary of the financial standing of the district. A sumptuous supper was partaken of later at the Queen's Hotel.

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Mrs. Roy Lindsay, of the Hand Hills district, received word on Friday, of the death of her mother, Mrs. Jane Deane, which occurred at Santa Rosa, Calif., on Thursday, January 13. Mrs. Deane suffered a stroke in September, and never recovered. Mrs. Lindsay only recently returned from visiting her mother, having been called to her side following receipt of the word of her illness. The funeral was held from the O'Leary Funeral Home in Sebastopol, California, burial following in Sebastopol cemetery on Saturday, January 15th, 1944.

"Time Bombs"

Achievement is better than argument. No one can argue against experience.

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If we ourselves dig up "buried hatchets" as soon as the war is over, we can scarcely expect our enemies to forever bury their swords.

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People who won't listen to the dictates of their own conscience may soon be taking dictation from someone who has no conscience.

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People who put on airs have no reason to be put out when others put them off.

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The first step in building a sound family of nations is to build a nation of sound families.

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If there is confidence between nations, no police force will be needed. If there is no confidence, no police force is big enough to prevent war.

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To break through to total victory in our lifetime, each of us will have to break through the habits of a life.

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Think what others ought to be like. Then start being like it yourself.

Test Your Seed Grain!

Pioneer Elevators have available modern seed grain germinating testing machines. Any farmer wishing to have his seed grain tested for germination may obtain tests free of charge through any Pioneer Elevator.

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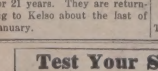

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THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. G. L. STRANGE

Quality in Wheat

The almost frantic war demands for livestock products from our prairies, and the consequent necessity of producing large acreages of coarse grains to feed to livestock, have somewhat taken our minds away from our stable product—WHEAT. My own opinion, however, has always been that after the war, wheat once again will be the mainstay of our prairies. For myself I believe that European countries will tend to produce more of their own livestock products and to grow less of their own wheat, simply because we can produce wheat cheaper. Once again, therefore, the QUALITY of Canadian wheat will be of paramount importance.

This coming spring is none too soon for farmers to endeavor energetically to maintain and even to improve the quality of our wheat crop. There is no better way to do this than to use a few bushels of the highest quality seed. Registered and sealed in the sack by the Government, and to sow this on a few acres of clean summerfallow. Such a few bushels multiplied for two or three years would supply any farmer with all the seed required for all his acreage; would insure a high quality crop and so would bring to the farmer a greater return for his efforts both in yield and in grade.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the many friends for their kindness, and especially the Delia Ladies' Aid, for the lovely flowers sent Mrs. Julson while a patient in Holy Cross Hospital, Calgary.

— Mr. & Mrs. Martin Julson.

Retailers must attach cards showing the size and price of grapefruit on display in their stores.

Barbers cannot increase charges above those of the basic period of 1941 without prior concurrence of the Prices Board.

Minutes M.D. Council of Starland

(Continued from first page)

A. E. Nelson, freight	5.00
A. E. Nelson, labor Div. 2	7.00
H. Humphrey, repairs	10.00
L. O. Nelson, labor Div. 4	77.73
Road Sheet, Div. 4	18.86
Craig Wilson, labor Div. 2	38.00
Road Sheet, Div. 4	18.00
Ralph Cameron, repairs	2.00
H. M. Cameron, moving weeds	6.65
J. Lundal, repairs	4.09
Roy McKee, labor Div. 5	5.50
A. Carson, freight	34.00
David Bland labor Div. 5	6.00
Tom Anders, labor Div. 3	2.00
Sam Morlock, labor Div. 5	194.15
R. O. Zakarinsen, repairs	5.00
Richardson Road Machinery repairs	10.20
Wm. Herzog, labor Div. 5	10.25
D. B. Masters, delegate's expenses	35.00
W. L. Carter, delegate's expenses	35.00
H. S. McLaren, " "	35.00
R. W. Waters " "	15.00
S. R. Hopper " "	35.00
R. W. Waters, phone calls	4.35
W. A. Wilson, labor Div. 4	5.40
Cuneanngo Bros. labor Div. 3	7.25
V. J. Mokray, labor Div. 1	33.10
V. J. Mokray, labor Div. 5	70.30
T. J. Stephenson, labor Div. 5	4.00
R. McTavish, labor Div. 5	5.60
W. S. Abramasky, labor Div. 5	5.60
Road Sheet—Div. 1	209.06
" " Div. 2	116.65
" " Div. 2 (Gov. Grant)	238.73
" " Div. 3	15.62
" " Div. 4	6.50
" " General	47.00
" " Repairs	506.96
" " Div. 1	91.48
" " Div. 2	59.67
" " Div. 3	125.65
" " Rowley	15.25
" " Government Grant (Gravel spreading)	552.98
T. M. Smith, Weed Inspection	50.00
W. L. Carter, phone calls	8.00
W. L. Carter, supervision and committee work	248.80
R. W. Waters, supervision and committee work	215.00
D. B. McPhesters, supervision and committee work	280.00
Thomas Rowe, supervision and committee work	96.80
H. S. McLaren, supervision and committee work	55.00
Spreading gravel (gov't grant), as per accounts	227.00
Hauling gravel (gov't grant), as per accounts	14628 82
Hauling gravel (municipal), as per accounts	1975.98
Spreading gravel, municipal road sheet	7.50

Meeting adjourned on motion of Councillor Rowe.

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NOTICE

At the Annual Meeting of the Ratepayers of the Village of Delia, to be held on the 28th day of January, 1944, at the hour of 8 p.m. in the Town Hall, Delia, the proposition of the Village of Delia being included in the Drumheller Hospital District, will be discussed with representatives from the Hospital District.

The attendance of all Ratepayers is particularly desirable at this meeting.

Dated at Delia this 14th day of January, 1944.

LESLIE STEPHENS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Almond, Jas.	Long, Sidney
Almond, Peter	Long, Reta
Almond, Caroline Alta	Long, Edna May
Bertsch, R	Martin, Jimmy
Bertsch, W.	Morrison, Billy
Bertsch, Rubin	Morrison, Mary
Bertsch, Edwin	Morrison, Fred
Billings, Geo.	Morrison, Doug.
Billings, Arnold	Morrison, M. M.
Burgess, J.	Mittlestead, M.
Brunner, H.	Mossop, Wm.
Bender, H.	Mortimer, L.
Battle, J.	Marshall, A.
Battle, Robt	Marshall, N. J.
Battle, Lester	Marshall, Fred
Burke, Norman	Marshall, T. A.
Berg, Matt.	Miles, Hec.
Berg, Doug.	Miles, Harold
Bluff, Harry	McMurchie, J.
Berg, Reid,	McLaren, Alex.
Bender, H.	McCully, Jack B.
Blair, John	Mittlestead, N.
Curtis, Wm. (sen.)	McKee, S. W.
Curtis, Jas.	McAuliffe, Tom
Curtis, Billy	MacMillan, Harry
Cave, J.	MacMillan, Bobbie
Cook, Gordon L.	Macpherson, K. H.
Church, W. A.	Moore, Byron G.
Digiano, L.	Moore, Frank C.
Dack, David	McConnell, John
Dack, Phillip	Morlock, E. E.
Dmytruk, Mike	Newman, W.
Dmytruk, Andrew	Naffin, Alex.
Dmytruk, Alex.	Nicholl, Wm.
Desteune, R. K.	Okie, F.
Dodds, Nicholas	O'Hara, Joe
Elliott, Dorothy	Porter, F.
Edmonson, Bert.	Porter, R
Edwards, Basil	Porter, J.
Edwards, Allan	Pierce, Ben (Sr.)
Edwards, Harold	Pierce, Tom
Edgley, Gordon	Peterson, Van
Fulton, Isabell	Pullar, Stewart
Farquharson, Geo.	Pearson, Doris
Farquharson, K. H.	Peterson, James
Findley, Wm.	Peterson, Olaf
Findley, H.	Piffer, Homar
Findley, R.	Piffer, Earl
Findley, Elmer M.	Pearson, Ernest H.
Fuge, Gordon E.	Ringer, Henry
Fletcher, L.	Rieger, William
Fletcher, H.	Reid, Emerson
Fletcher, Russel	Ripper, Laurie
Farwell, Russell	Ripper, Frank
Ferris, Jack	Ripper, Rosemary
Fitzsimmons, Norman A.	Rowe, G.
Ganong, Ken.	Reid, Gilbert
Genak, Tom	Simpson, Allan
Gates, Nick	Simpson, Jimmy
Gordon, Arthur R.	Sprouse, K.
Godwin, Mrs. A.	Sprouse, Robert
Gibson, Bob	Smith, Geo.
Hubbard, L.	Smith, Jas.
Hubbard, Jim	Skeels, S.
Hamilton, C.	Skeels, Lionel
Hamilton, M.	Sinclair, R.
Hoy, T. C.	Staples, L. D.
Humphrey, T.	Swainson, Carl
Hudgeon, P.	Stoness, R.
Harsch, Fred	Snyder, Lorne
Hall, Wm.	Saluke, L. Sam
Hartman, John	Sloan, Melvin
Harrison, Vivian	Taylor, M.
Harrison, Jean	Taylor, Lester
Hunter, G.	Taylor, Russell
Josorg, Ellis	Thompson, W.
Jones, Evan	Thompson, Cecil
Jamieson, Pete	Tario, J. D.
King, N.	Tiffin, Robt. L.
Kempf, K.	Todd, Edmund
Kilian, Bill	Tittleson, Eunice
Limpert, J. B.	Tittleson, L. M.
Lefley, J.	Tittleson, J. R.
Lefley, Art.	Venus, Arnold
Lacler, C. (missing)	Venus, Art
Lindsay, W.	Watson, Frank
Lane, Rose	Wallace, R. J.
Long, Ben	Wallace, Oliver D.

N.B.—Names send us in the name of any soldier omitted from above list.

RADIO

The following are among the high lights of programs to be heard over CBC stations on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 20, 21, 22, and 23. All times mentioned are Mountain Daylight Time.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

6:30 p.m. The Aldrich Family.
7:00 " Bing Crosby Music Hall.
7:30 " The Fighting Navy.
8:00 " CBC National News.
8:30 " CBC Concert Series.
9:00 " Drama.
9:30 " CBR Concert Orchestra.
10:00 " BBC News Real.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

6:00 p.m. "Victory Parade."
7:00 " Walks Time.
7:30 " To Be Announced.
8:00 " CBC National News.
9:00 " Soliloquy.
9:30 " Maids from the Pacific.
10:15 " Current Events.
10:30 " The Northern Messenger.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

6:00 p.m. Jolly Millar Time.
7:00 " CBC News.
7:05 " N.H.L. Hockey.
8:30 " Organ Recital.
9:00 " Red River Barn Dance.
9:30 " United Services Canteen Show.
10:30 " Garrison and the Boys.
11:00 " CBC News.
11:15 " Dance Orchestra.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

6:30 p.m. Week-End Review.
7:30 " Drama.
7:50 " Album of Familiar Music.
8:00 " CBC National News.
8:15 " Songs of Empire.
9:30 " Sonata Recital.
10:30 " Vesper Hour.
11:00 " CBC News.